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## The Morning Star.

### OUTLINES.

A vote will be taken Monday at 2 o'clock on the resolution to impeach Justices Furches and Douglass; it is conceded the resolution will be adopted. —— President McKinley tells Senators that Congress will be called in extra session. —— Another effort to take up consideration of the Ship Subsidy bill was defeated in the Senate; the Oleomargarine bill was considered. —— Four companies of the Tenth U. S. infantry arrived at Newport News from Santiago en route to the Philippines. —— Morgan line steamer Algiers, from New Orleans for Boston, put in at New York with cargo shifted and a seaman injured. —— King Edward will leave England Monday for Berlin. —— The River and Harbor bill will not pass the Senate at this session of Congress. —— Russia has levied an increased duty of thirty per cent on American imports. —— W. K. Vanderbilt sailed from Savannah on his yacht Valiant for a cruise in the Mediterranean. —— Policeman shot and killed in Savannah by a negro; the murderer arrested. —— J. F. Robertson, of Charlotte, has been named receiver for the Queen City Telephone Co. —— Dr. W. L. McLeod murdered his wife and killed himself at Crescent, Fla. —— A strike is threatened in Pittsburg that will involve 150,000 workmen in the building trades. —— New York markets: Money on call was quoted nominal; cotton dull, middling uplands 9½; flour was unsettled and quiet; wheat—spot dull, No. 2 red 80⅝c f. o. b; corn—spot firm, No. 2 48⅛c at elevator; oats—spot quiet, No. 2 30½; rosin quiet; spirits turpentine dull at 39½@40c.

### WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE, WEATHER BUREAU, WILMINGTON, N. C., Feb. 16

Temperatures: 8 A. M., 40 degrees; 8 P. M., 49 degrees; maximum, 62 degrees; minimum, 40 degrees; mean, 51 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .00; rainfall since 1st of the month up to date, 1.68 inches.

Stage of water in the Cape Fear river at Fayetteville, at 8 A. M., 6 6 feet.

FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 16.—For North Carolina—Fair Sunday and Monday; light to fresh southwesterly winds, becoming southeasterly.

**Port Almanac—February 17.**

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| Sun Rises | 6 48 A. M |
| Sun Sets | 5 42 P. M |
| Day's Length | 10 h 54 M |
| High Water at Southport | 6 16 P. M. |
| High Water Wilmington | 8 46 P. M |

In a hundred years France has gained only 12,000,000 in population, increasing from 26,000,000 to 38,000,000. She isn't improving much, for the increase is very small, if any now. And there is little emigration from France.

A Wilkesbarre, Pa., woman tackled an oyster a few days ago and discovered a nest of seven pearls, one big one valued at $125 and six smaller ones worth more in proportion. She is thinking about going into the oyster shucking business.

Queen Wilhelmina had a clause inserted in her marriage service that she was to obey her husband as a wife only and not as a queen. But a fellow who is drawing $12,000 a month for keeping a nice girl like Wilhelmina company need not worry much over the obey business.

Hon. T. B. Reed writing about the orators of ancient days says Demosthenes, Cicero, and the other daisies had the advantage of our orators, for they didn't have any newspapers to run up against, and the whole population went out to hear them and scrambled for front seats.

The New York *Sun* is authorized to state that plans for the machinery for wireless telegraphy across the ocean have been completed, and the site selected by Nikola Tesla, that the project will begin at once actively, and according to calculations the apparatus will be perfected in about eight months.

A Los Angeles, Cal., man is said to have contrived a way of harnessing sunbeams to run a 10-horse power engine. He has umbrella-shaped reflector 35 feet in diameter which is adjustable and throws the sunrays on a boiler which supplies the engine with steam to work a pump which furnishes water enough to irrigate a 300 acre farm.

Mrs. Adams, the wife of a miner in Boise City, Idaho, some time ago attended a picnic where the eatables were spread on a flat ledge of rock. While they were eating she discovered specks of gold in the rock, but kept mum and went on eating. It wasn't long before she had a claim located, it panned out rich, and the other day she sold out for $250,000 cash and is now going to take a picnic in Europe.

### LOCAL DOTS.

— The Board of Audit and Finance will meet in semi-monthly session Tuesday night.

— The installation of the church council at St. Paul's Lutheran church will take place this morning.

— The annual meeting of the Carolina Yacht Club will be held Monday, February 18th, at 8 P. M., in the county court room.

— Local Union No. 123, International Brotherhood of Electrical Wire Workers, has two candidates for initiation Monday night.

— Cotton declined a quarter of a cent on the local market yesterday, the closing quotations having been only 9 cents for middling.

— Yesterday was the Chinese New Year's day. It was generally observed in a cessation of business by the colony of Orientals in Wilmington.

— There will be great sport hunting tigers in Duplin and Sampson counties if the prohibition measures now before the Legislature pass. And they will be easily approached, too; for they will all be "blind."

— The A. C. L. offers a rate of one fare for the round trip to Washington on account of the inauguration, March 4th, tickets to be on sale March 1st-3rd, with final limit March 9th.

— The deeds for the transfer of the Tileston High School property from the trustees of the Hemenway estate to School committee No. 1 were recorded at the Court House yesterday.

— The Greenville Sound public school, Miss Lillie Keathley teacher, gave a delightful ice cream supper on Friday night for the benefit of the library fund. A neat sum was realized.

— Lenten services will be held at St. Paul's Lutheran church beginning next Wednesday and every Wednesday thereafter during Lent, except on Passion Week when the services will be daily.

— Postmaster Geo. D. Bessent, of Little River, S. C., whose arrest was noted in these columns last week, will be tried at Florence on to-morrow week. Friends of Mr. Bessent will see that he is defended by the ablest of counsel.

— Mrs. Reese, demonstrator for the famous Hecker's Buckwheat and Flap Jack flours, will be at the store of Mr. N. B. Rankin. No. 110 North Front street, on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of this week. The public and the ladies especially are invited to attend the demonstration.

— The Greensboro *Record* of the 14th inst contains an account of the marriage of Miss Mollie Walton Adkinson, of that city, to Mr. Robert S. Pearce, also of Greensboro, but formerly of this city. Mr. Pearce is now employed by the Gate City Bakery.

— A recent issue of the New York *Herald* contains a very favorable criticism of the work of Wilmington's young whistler, Mr. J. Keener Westbrook, who made his initial appearance on the vaudeville stage at the Grand Opera House. His imitation of Southern song birds met with particular favor, so the paper says.

— One of the many boats engaged in fishing off the New Found land coast during a part of the year is now at Southport with a crew fishing by hook and line for sea bass. The fish are shipped on ice in flour barrels to New York and are said to be netting the fishermen a handsome income.

— Charlie Johnson, a turbulent negro, was arrested at Seventh and Castle streets last night by Policeman I. F. Huggins for disorderly conduct. The negro was very unruly and at length had to be clubbed into submission. Several of his friends congregated in the vicinity tried to rescue him from the officer but without avail.

— Capt. Granger, of the British steamship *Oaklands*, which arrived a few days ago, reports having spoken on February 12th an American brig showing the letters H. G. Q. P. in latitude 32:6 north, longitude 74:2 west; also on January 28th having spoken a German barque showing the letters R. L. D. F., in latitude 41:44 north, longitude 33:35 west.

— The STAR has a communication from a member of Wilmington Division, Naval Reserves, in which a protest is made against the absence of mention of its service during the race troubles in 1898 in the police report which has just appeared in the annual mayor's message. It is contended that if the W. L. I. is to receive mention the Reserves are equally entitled to the same.

### NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

Notice—Free exhibition.
Mercer & Evans Co.—For cash.
Meeting—Carolina Yacht Club.
A. D. Brown—Carpet remnants.
C. W. Yates & Co.—Busiest man.
S. & B. Solomon.—Shoes for men.
Masonic—Meeting Concord Chapter.
VonGlahn & Gibson—Obey orders.
Opera House—A Trip to Coontown.
Geo. O. Gaylord—Big Racket store.
Wilmington Savings and Trust Co.—Rich men.
Atlantic National Bank—Designated depository for U. S. funds.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

For Sale—Surry and buggy.
Wil. Gas Light Co.—Gas range.
P. H. Hayden—Buggies, harness.

## GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

### A Vote to Be Taken on the Impeachment Resolution Next Monday.

### THE DEBATE IN THE HOUSE.

**Speeches Made For and Against Adoption of the Report of the Judiciary Committee—Conceded That the Report Will Be Adopted.**

[*Special Star Correspondence.*]

RALEIGH, N. C., Feb 16.—In yesterday's special STAR telegram mention was made of the passage by the Senate of a bill to amend the charter of the Wrightsville and Onslow Navigation Company. This is a bill the enactment into law of which is very important to the people of Wilmington and the business interests of points along the line of waterways affected by the old Wrightsville and Onslow Navigation Company. The charter in question was granted many years ago to the company headed by the late Benjamin R. Moore.

The business projected was the construction and operation of a big system of inland canals connecting natural streams between Wrightsville and Swansboro; but the scheme never materialized. The charter granted the company conferred the exclusive right to the natural streams connected and incorporated into the system as well as the canals built. The bill now passing the Legislature strikes from the charter of the old company the clause conmfiring the exclusive right to the streams. The necessity of the amendment is that the national government has during the past few years made appropriations for the deepening of these streams, but the discovery of this exclusive right clause in the old canal charter has caused the government authorities to decline to expend the money thus appropriated until this is eliminated. The bill is certain to pass the General Assembly and the government will proceed to expend the appropriations. Altogether 239 bills have been ratified up to to day and more than a hundred additional ones have passed both branches of the Assembly and are in the hands of the enrolling clerk.

The committee having in charge the bill providing for the establishment of a reform school for young criminals has set Friday of next week for the final consideration of that measure. It is not probable that they will agree to a favorable report. A considerable damper has in some way been thrown upon the enthusiasm of the members not only of the committee, but of the entire Assembly, regarding the necessity at this time for such an institution.

Judge Allen tells me that the committee having under consideration the London libel bill will make a favorable report in a few days. He says there has been no disposition to hold up the bill and the Judiciary Committee, 45 strong, favor it unanimously.

[*Special Star Telegram.*]

Two o'clock P. M. Monday is the time now agreed upon for taking a vote on the resolution pending in the House to impeach Supreme Court Judges Furches and Douglass. The entire session to day was devoted to the discussion. Still the advocates of the minority (Republican) report, exonerating the judges, have not spoken. The agreement is that opponents of impeachment have two and a half hours Monday, beginning at ten, and the advocates one and half a hours. The vote is to be called promptly at two o'clock.

Speakers to day who advocate impeachment were Whitaker of Forsyth, Curtis, Robinson, Stewart and Jenkins. Those in opposition were Patterson, Yarborough, Sheets, Benbow, Whitakerof Guilford. Benbow advocated the minority report for acquittal. Ebbs began a speech for the minority report, believing the House would not adjourn before a vote was reached, but before he proceeded far the advocates of impeachment consented to a recess till 3:30. On reassembling the agreement given above was announced by Craig. It is conceded the resolution for impeachment will be adopted by a small majority. Estimates vary from ten to fifteen majority.

No new points of law or evidence were brought out in the arguments today. The strongest speeches were by Yarborough and Patterson, opposing impeachment. Yarborough defended the action of the Supreme Court and showed consistency in the decision, citing the case of Hoke vs. Henderson. He dissected the evidence before the committee and showed the judges had shown the most proper deliberate consideration before issuing a mandamus. They did not take the initiative. Only after repeated appeals by the clerk they issued the mandamus. It had been reported that the mandamus was issued by the three judges in secret conclave, surreptitiously. The evidence of Col. Kenan shows just the contrary. The Legislature could not repeal the act which provided for White's salary if it could not abolish his office. They wish impeachment on distinction between terms, alternative and peremptory mandamus. "I read from Bailey vs. Caldwell, in the Eighth North Carolina reports, where the Supreme Court expressly recognized the right to issue a peremptory mandamus. Where, in all this, is the great wrong against the people that justifies this heroic action of impeachment? Has any one except White been wronged; has there ever before been impeachment except upon the righteous demand of an outraged people? All over North Carolina are men high in law, and in every position of life, who agree in the construction of the law of the court with me and Mr. Stubbs. Shall a great court be dragged into impeachment on a legal question which the bar states agrees with the principles of law as laid down by the court? The cold proposition is to impeach the court on a legal question on which the legal profession of the State is divided."

Senator Brown's Cigarette bill passed a second reading in the Senate, much amended. The bill prohibits the sale of cigarettes, cigarette paper, etc., to any boy under 21 years.

Henderson's amendment, which was adopted, imposes a tax of $20 each on cigarette dealers.

Morton offered an amendment "to include in prohibitions of the bill, cigars, tobacco in all forms, and cocoa cola." He said if we legislate on morals, let's include everything harmful. Cocoa cola is said to contain a powerful narcotic which fastens hold on its victims. This amendment was not taken seriously or acted upon.

The passage of the bill on a third reading was prevented by the special order—the Divorce bill—with amendment allowing divorce after three years abandonment. Messrs. Justice, Morton and Woodard advocated the amendment. Discussion resulted in making the bill the special order for next Wednesday.

Bills passed to allow Beaufort to levy a special tax; to authorize Harnett county to build bridge and levy a special tax; to authorize Dunn to issue bonds; to amend the charter of Louisburg.

Bills introduced: By Brown, to establish a school district in Chadbourn township. By Speight, to incorporate the Farmers Mutual Fire Insurance Company, of Edgecombe.

Bills introduced in the House: By Allen to incorporate the Atlantic and Northwestern Company. By Daughteridge, to regulate meetings of commissioners of Edgecombe and provide better pay for the chairman.

### STATE COUNCIL AT WINSTON.

**Great Gathering of Junior Order of American Mechanics There This Week.**

Messrs. L. V. Grady and Walter E Yopp will leave to-morrow morning for Winston-Salem, N. C., where they will attend the tenth annual State Council, Junior Order of American Mechanics, as representatives of Jeff Davis Council, No. 63, of this city. The council will convene on Tuesday and the address of welcome on behalf of the city will be made in the Court House at 3 o'clock P. M., by Mayor O. B. Eaton, of Fairview Council, No. 19, of Winston. The response will be by L. V. Grady, Esq., of Jeff Davis Council, No. 63, of this city, and the opening address before the representatives will be in the Mechanics hall at 7:30 P. M., by Spencer Blackburn, Esq., of Centreville Council, No. 30, of Winston Salem. The response to this address will be by E. A. McGahey, of Mecklenburg Council, No. 17, of Charlotte. The formal opening of the State Council will be at 8 P. M.

The secret work will be exemplified on Wednesday evening and an elaborate banquet will be given at the Hotel Phœnix at 10 P. M.

A trolley party will be given if the weather is favorable.

Mr. Yopp will represent by proxy the council of Juniors at Southport.

### "A TRIP TO COONTOWN."

**Well Known Colored Aggregation of Players at Opera House Wednesday Night.**

"A Trip to Coontown," headed by Cole and Johnson, is making a bid for the first place in the ranks of shows made up entirely of colored performers. The great success which this company is said to have met last season encouraged the managers to renewed effort, and the company, as it now stands, is claimed to be absolutely complete in every detail. With new scenery, fresh and attractive costumes, new songs and concerted numbers, and a wealth of new gags and witticisms, "The Trip," it is said, furnishes one of the most enjoyable evening's entertainment of any company now before the public. For this performance the entire lower floor will be reserved for white people. Prices 75, 50 and 25 cents. Seats on sale Tuesday morning.

### AT THE PALACE BAKERY.

**Making Ready for the Spring and Summer Trade in Cooling Refreshments.**

Andrew Mavronichols, the well known and popular proprietor of the Palace Bakery, on Market street, last week installed at his place one of the most handsome and costly soda fountains in the city. It is manufactured by Chas Lippincott & Co., the Philadelphia firm which has the reputation of placing the finest fountains in the world. The basic structure of the one just installed at the Palace Bakery is of marble of rich color, and the top is of mahogany in which is set a handsome mirror.

The ice cream manufactory of Mr. Mavronichols is also being overhauled and enlarged preparatory to the Spring and Summer trade.

**A Wilmington Negro.**

The Newbern *Evening News* says that George D. Thomas, who claims to have come from Wilmington, was before a justice of the peace in that city Friday morning to answer two charges of robbery—breaking into the house of a colored woman Monday afternoon and entering the house of Mr. J. A. Meadows from which he stole a gun on Tuesday night. He was sent to jail for the criminal court. The *News* says that when first arrested he gave the name of Chas. Gardner but later changed it to Thomas. He is said to be a mean and worthless character.

St. Paul's Episcopal Church, corner Fourth and Orange streets: Morning prayer at 11 A. M. Evening prayer and sermon, 7.45 P. M., Rev. F. H. L. Horsfield, officiating. Sunday school at 3.30 P. M. Seats free. Strangers invited.

## BASE BALL PROSPECT

### Virginia-North Carolina League Anxious to Include Wilmington in Its Membership.

### LETTER FROM THE SECRETARY

**Invites the City to Send a Representative to the Final Meeting at Norfolk on Wednesday Night—Shall Stock Company Be Formed?**

There abides still with the average Wilmington base ball enthusiast a faint hope that the "city by the sea" may yet squeeze into the Virginia Carolina Base Ball League recently formed at Norfolk, if she has to get in at the last minute even "on the ground floor," as it were. The pride of the city's sporting element has been slightly wounded by the fact that Raleigh is the only city in the Tar Heel State which has thus far "raised the wind" sufficient to cope with the Virginia brethren, and it is up to some one in Wilmington with a seductive manner and winning smile to make a last determined effort to secure the "wherewithal" with which to purchase a franchise from the enterprising league formers of the Old Dominion.

Mr. Nixon Davis, who has probably done more to promote the national game from a professional standpoint in Wilmington than any one else in recent years, does not feel disposed to personally undertake a canvass this season with a view to soliciting the financial aid necessary to the securing of a team, but it is learned that he has lost none of his old-time ardor in the sport and will cheerfully serve "in the ranks" if the initiative is forthcoming from another source. The following letter which explains itself has been furnished the STAR by him for publication and it should certainly serve to provoke a revival of interest in the proposition to join the league:

NORFOLK, Va., Feb 12, 1901.

*N. N. Davis, Esq., Wilmington, N. C.:*

MY DEAR SIR: The final organization meeting of the Virginia North Carolina League will be held in Norfolk, Va., on February 20th, at the Monticello Hotel, at 8 P. M. We would like very much to have your city a member of our League, and if it is possible would like to have you with us at this meeting.

Our League at present is an assured fact, and consists of six clubs, but eight clubs would give us a better formation. Eight clubs would be a splendid organization, and with our provision of a 10 per cent. sinking fund from each and every game, the League will be an assured success. Raleigh has organized a stock company with a capital of $1,500 to run its club and has already employed a manager. We also desire to get Charlotte to join us.

As this will be the final meeting for organization, I again extend you an invitation to join us and feel that such a course would be mutually beneficial.

Yours, very truly,

E. J. DORAN,
Secretary Virginia-North Carolina League.

Mr. Davis makes the above letter public, feeling that there may be a desire among some of the citizens of Wilmington to undertake such a canvass as will be necessary to the formation of a league team. He states that any person or persons, who would like to take the matter up may do so at once so that some notification of the same may be made at the meeting in Norfolk on Wednesday night.

A suggestion is made by a gentleman interested in base ball to the effect that some one agitate the question of holding a meeting early this week and that once the movement is on foot there will be no trouble in effecting the organization of a stock company with a capital stock of from $1,000 to $1,500, which would be a positive guarantee of the successful maintenance of a team.

### THE ASSOCIATED CHARITIES.

**Report of the Receipts and Disbursements During the Month of January.**

The report of the treasurer of the Associated Charities for the month of January shows the following receipts and disbursements during the month:

Receipts—New Hanover county, $125; Mrs. E. S. Latimer, $50; Mrs. J. W. Murchison, $2; cash, $5; M. Rathjen, $2 50; J. Kuhlken, $1; Mrs. M. E. Bridgers, $25; Miss Emily Bridgers, $15; Miss Mary Bridgers, $25; Wm. M. Cumming, $1; cash, $20; Wm. Nicolle, $4 50; Mrs. W. L. Harlow, .25; St. Paul's Episcopal church, $113.75; St. James' Episcopal church, $63 31; St. Paul's Lutheran church, $20 52; Grace M. E. church, $30; St. Matthew's Lutheran church, $4; Second Advent church, $3 25; Southside Baptist church, $2 35. Total, $505 68.

Expenses—Secretary's salary, $25; Catherine Kennedy Home, $12.50; groceries, $171.25; wood, $33 15; rent for those in need, $9; cash help, $5 50; janitor, $2; funeral expenses, $3; rail road fares, $3.84; shoes, $2; nourishment for sick, .50; postage, .65. Total, $318 39.

**Opera House Offerings.**

"The Trip to Coontown" will be seen at the Opera House here next Wednesday night. The Una Clayton Company, under the same management as the Crescent Stock Company, which closed a successful week's engagement here about a month ago, will begin a six nights' engagement at the Wilmington theatre to morrow night week. The company is under the management of Mr. R. A. Hewlett, who is so well known to people of this section.

### PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

— Col. Drane, of Armour, is in the city on a business trip.

— Mr. Theodore Empie, of New York, is here on a visit to his mother.

— Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Emerson left yesterday for a ten days trip to Florida.

— George Rountree, Esq., arrived from Raleigh last evening to spend Sunday.

— Miss Mary Newton returned to Southport yesterday after spending a week in the city.

—Mrs. S. E. Hursly left yesterday for Maxton, N. C., on a visit to her sister, Mrs J. B. Weatherly.

— Mr. Claude H. Dollar returned to the city yesterday evening after a visit to his old home at Dunn, N. C.

— Mrs. R. D. Tucker and children returned last evening from a visit to relatives and friends at Mount Olive.

— U. S. Engineer S. F. Burbank, of the corps at Washington, N. C., was among last evening's arrvials in the city.

—Mrs. P. B. Manning, of Richmond, arrived last evening to visit her parents, Col. and Mrs. John D. Taylor.

— Mrs. W. A. Sanders and children returned yesterday afternoon from a very pleasant visit to friends and relatives at Conway, S. C.

— Judge W. A. Hoke, of Lincolnton, who has been holding court at Clinton, passed through the city yesterday on his way home.

— Rev. R. H. Herring will preach at Delgado mills at 4 P. M. to-day. The afternoon service at the Y. M. C. A. will be led by Rev. J. W. Paxton.

### WILL OPEN ON MARKET STREET.

**New Fruit and Confectionery Store Will Be Conducted by Augusta Merchant.**

Market street is to have another new and up to-date fruit and confectionery store. It will be opened this week in the store No. 115 Market, formerly occupied by the Singer Manufacturing Company, and the proprietor will be John Satros, a well known Grecian merchant who arrived last week from Augusta, Ga., where has been in a similar business for several years. In addition to carrying a line of fruit and confections, he will also manufacture fine candies for the wholesale and retail trade.

Mr. Satros is a member of the Knights of Pythias and Masonic fraternities and is receiving the attention of his lodge-men in the city.

**Land Suit in Pender.**

A suit affecting the title to about 10,000 acres of land in Pender county has recently been brought in the Superior Court there. The land in question is claimed by Mr. C. M. Carrier by purchase from the County Board of Education about five years ago, the deed for which, it is claimed, was duly and promptly recorded. The complaint alleges that the Angola Lumber Company, of this city, which owns large bodies of land in that territory, made a second purchase of the property a short time ago and has trespassed on the premises by cutting the timber therefrom. Both sides have employed competent counsel and some extended litigation is expected.

**Cape Fear Life Saving Station.**

Mr. Andre Fourchy, superintendent of construction in the Life Saving Service, was in the city yesterday from Bald Head island, where he has been looking after some repairs to the station there. The main building has been re-covered, and new floors, new boat room doors, foundations, braces, etc., have been put in. The new light house on Bald Head will be only about half a mile from the life saving station.

**Will Be Married To-day.**

This morning at 10:30 o'clock, Miss Katie May Hewlett, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Hewlett, No. 303 South Fifth street, will be married to Mr. D. T. Meade, formerly of Wilmington but now of Greenville, S. C. After the ceremony the couple will leave on the 3 45 P. M. train for Greenville, where they will make their future home.

**Bound Over for Larceny.**

A. A. Cumber, the young man arrested Friday on a charge of the larceny of $46 from J. L. Edwards, a soldier from Fort Caswell, waived examination in the municipal court yesterday and was bound over to criminal court under a $150 bond, in default of which he was committed to jail. Herbert McClammy, Esq., was employed as counsel for the defendant.

**The Carolina Ice Company.**

Mr. F. Bauer, of Chicago, representing the Fred W. Wolf Company, left last night for his home after closing a contract with the Carolina Ice Company for the re installation of new machinery in the plant which was burned here last week. He thinks he can have everything replaced as before the fire within a month.

**Governor Russell Employed.**

The Raleigh *News and Observer* of yesterday says that ex Governor D. L. Russell has been retained by Mr. B. N. Duke as one of counsel to argue the Gattis-Kilgo case to be heard on appeal by the Supreme Court at this term. Governor Russell returned yesterday from Durham via Raleigh, where he had a conference with Mr. Duke relative to the suit.

THE BUSIEST MAN

In the city, as well as the lady of leisure, can have their orders promptly filled by calling up 69 on either Telephone. We make a specialty of Office Supplies and Blank Books. We are showing the best thing on the market in the way of a Loose Sheet Ledger. It will pay you to examine this system before placing your order.

C. W. YATES & CO.
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Hanan Shoes for Men.

You can't buy more stylish Shoes than Hanan Shoes for there are no more stylish Shoes made. We have the exclusive agency in Wilmington for

Hanan Shoes

and we show lots of new shapes and styles. Buy the shoe everybody is talking about.

SOLOMON'S SHOE STORE,
feb 17 tf

### THE KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS.

**Series of Monthly Joint Meetings Arranged Which Will Greatly Benefit the Order—First on Tuesday.**

The Knights of Pythias, and those of Wilmington especially, are nothing if not progressive. In order to infuse a greater interest in lodge gatherings a plan of monthly joint meetings has been arranged for the coming year, which promises to prove successful beyond expectation for the four of the city's enterprising lodges which have entered into the arrangement. It is proposed each month to have a joint meeting of the four lodges in Wilmington and to have such gatherings partake of the nature of a social session, which is very properly expected to make the lodge attendance much larger and more interesting than usual. On one meeting night in each month, some one of the four lodges will be visited by the three sister lodges, and a special programme will be arranged for each of these special meetings.

The first of the series of these meetings will be on Tuesday night of this week when the members of Stonewall Lodge No. 1, Germania Lodge No 4 and Jefferson Lodge No. 61 will be entertained at Castle Hall by Clarendon Lodge No. 2 which has arranged through a committee consisting of Messrs. J. D. Nutt, W. C. VonGlahn, Martin Newman and Dr. W. C. Galloway, a very interesting programme. An address of not more than half an hour will be made by representatives of each of the three visiting lodges and there will be a response by some member of the lodge which has been visited. Then there will be other entertaining features which will make it interesting for all Pythians who may choose to attend.

**About Mr. Sol Haas.**

The Richmond *Times* of yesterday has the following item about a gentleman who was once a resident of this city and who is well and favorably known here:

"From a letter received yesterday by a friend of Mr. Sol. Haas it was learned that that gentleman, who went in December to Pasadena, Cal., for his health, has been greatly improved by the change. Mr. Haas, accompanied by his wife, went by sea from New York to Panama, and thence to California, and has found such benefit, not only from the sea voyage, but from the climate of Pasadena, that his friends expect to see him back next May quite restored to health."

**Charlotte Dispensary Abandoned.**

Charlotte will not have a fight over the dispensary as was expected a few days ago, advocates of the dispensary having withdrawn from the contest when it was found that Mecklenburg's representatives in the Legislature would not abide the decision of a majority of the white vote cast in the primary, but rather a majority of the registered white vote in the county. The dispensary people now lay the failure of the measure at the door of its legislators.

**Funeral at Warsaw.**

Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Moore returned last evening from Warsaw, where they attended yesterday morning the funeral of Mr. Moore's mother, Mrs. Cassandra Moore, whose sad death occurred on Thursday afternoon in that town. Mrs. W. W. Hodges, who attended the funeral in company with Mr. and Mrs. Moore, also returned yesterday evening. The bereaved ones have the sincerest sympathy of many friends in Wilmington.

**The Call to Rev. Mr. Carpenter.**

The vestry of St. Paul's Episcopal church as yet has heard nothing from Rev. Edgar Carpenter, of Portsmouth, Va., regarding the call to the rectorship of the parish recently extended to him. A reply to a letter mailed him last night by Mr. R. H. Pickett is expected about the middle of this week.

For Whooping Cough use CHENEY'S EXPECTORANT.

### NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Concord Chapter No. 1, R. A. M.

COMPANIONS—The regular Convocation will be held Monday evening at 8 o'clock.
feb 17 1t W. A. MARTIN, Secretary.

Poor Richard Said:

"He that sells upon trust, loses friends, and always wants money."

We Sell for Cash,

Which accounts for the extremely low prices which we name below.

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| Ladies' guaranteed $1 00 Kid Gloves, Black and Colors | 85c |
| Ladies' guaranteed $1.50 Corsets | 89c |
| One pound packs Linen Writing Paper | 20c |
| 20c Enameled Cuspadores | 13c |
| 25c Aluminum Coffee Diffusers | 18c |
| 25c 8¼ standard Novels, best authors | 9c |
| 25c Reading Glasses | 25c |
| $1 50 Gents' Hats, latest styles and colors | $1.25 |
| 25c Stereoscope Cores | 18c |
| 60c Stereoscope Views, 3 for | 24c |

Just received fine line Gentlemen Trousers $1 00 to $1 65. These are marked at least 25 per cent. below value. We sell anything for everybody at prices proportionately low.

MERCER & EVANS COMPANY.
Department Stores,
feb 17 tf 115 and 117 Princess street.

OBEY ORDERS.

If your wife decrees that you practice better economy, tell her that you'll try our Armor Brand shirt, next time. Its the best shirt proposition that ever came along, and your dollar can't capture so much value anywhere else.

VonGlahn & Gibson,
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Vollers & Hashagen,

Grain Shippers and General Provision Dealers.

Get our prices on

Grain, Oats, Hay,

In car lots or less.

Our facilities are unsurpassed and we guarantee satisfaction.

We solicit your favors.
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Opera House

Wednesday, February 20th.

Cole and Johnson In the genuine comic novelty A Trip to Coontown.

Supported by a company of thirty-two Vaudeville Stars.
Don't miss "The Circus at Coontown."
Prices 75, 50 and 25 cents feb 17 3t

Free Exhibition.

Mrs. Reese will demonstrate how to cook and serve Hecker's Buckwheat and Flap Jack Flour at N. B. Rankin's grocery store, No. 110 North Front street, on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, February 18th, 19th and 20th. The public, especially the ladies, are invited to come, see and be served. feb 17 1t

FOR RENT.

SOUTH STORE AND BASEMENT IN MASONIC TEMPLE FORMALLY OCCUPIED BY H. L. PENNELL.
APPLY TO JAMES C. MUNDS.
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Notice.

The annual meeting of the Carolina Yacht Club will be held Monday, February 18 h, 1901, at 3 P. M., in New Hanover county Court room.
H. S. SAVAGE,
feb 17 1t Purser.

PULLEY WANTED.

Wanted, a second-hand eight-inch iron fast pulley for countershaft. About six-inch face. Apply at the
feb 16 3t STAR OFFICE.

# The Morning Star.

BY WILLIAM H. BERNARD.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

SUNDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 17.


## THE COMING COTTON REGION.

For some years past thoughtful Southern farmers and many of the Southern newspapers have been urging diversified farming as the system for Southern farmers to pursue. The all-cotton system had proved a bad one for the reason that it resulted in overproduction and consequent low prices, and the raising of the cotton on the credit system, which put the planters in debt and kept them in debt. Two remedies were suggested; one reduced acreage, which, although much discussed, was never much acted upon, and diversified farming, which was acted upon to some extent, but not so much as it should have been. But its good effects have become so apparent that there is little doubt that the farmers who have entered upon it will continue, and that others will follow their example, the number increasing annually, until the farmer who does not raise his own supplies will be the exception, as the farmer who did was not many years ago.

The appeals for reduced acreage and diversified farming were made to the planters of the South generally, regardless of the particular section in which they lived, and the object was to save them from loss by preventing overproduction of cotton and to help them to keep out of debt by raising stuff that they had been in the habit of buying, many of them on credit at a high interest rate, considering the prices they paid on their time purchases. The improved condition of the farmers in the cotton States shows that the appeals were not entirely in vain, for the improvement began even before the price of cotton began to approximate present figures.

But here is an argument for diversified farming from a different standpoint, addressed to the cotton growers in the eastern section of the cotton belt, not as a protection from low prices and loss on production, but as a protection from the cotton grower in the western section of the belt. It is clipped from the New York *Press*:

"Diversification of industries, especially of crops, is a duty which the old South cannot longer delay. Even 7,000,000 acres are only about one-twenty-fourth of the total area of Texas. Farther west there are vast though dry prairies, the spaciousness of which the eastern imagination simply cannot grasp. New Mexico's 122,000 and and Arizona's 113,000 square miles cannot be kept out of Statehood much longer, and with Statehood will come exploitation, immigration and that irrigation which will turn hitherto useless deserts into fresh, rich soil that will produce everything, including cotton. The western cotton plantations of the future will be nearer to China and other oriental markets than the South of to-day will be even when the Nicaragua canal is built. It will not be many years now before the South must learn, by sad experience if she refuses to learn it by happy and enterprising experience, that a diversification of industries not only enriches a region by enabling it to supply as many of its own demands as possible, to a great saving of freight, but is also a wise provision against the strain of migration of industries which world growth imposes.'

With 7,000,000 acres of cotton growing land in Texas and the large area adapted to its cultivation in Oklahoma, the Indian Territory, Arizona, New Mexico and Southern California, not to speak of Mexico, it is only a question of time when cotton culture will be transferred to the other side of the Mississippi and very little of it be left on this side, save perhaps in the rich bottom lands on the Mississippi where large yields are secured at small cost compared with the poorer lands which are dependent upon commercial fertilizers. The building of mills may be instrumental in keeping the cotton plant in the eastern part of the belt, although in reduced acreage.

It will be some years yet before this becomes apparent, for it will be some years before this Western cotton region, with the exception of Texas, will be sufficiently populated and supplied with transportation to become a very large producer of cotton, or other agricultural products. And this is well for the growers in the old States, for it will give them time to change their system and get out of cotton and into other products gradually.

When the profit on cotton becomes altogether a matter of cost of production it will be useless for the growers in the older and less fertile States to hope to compete with the growers in the younger, fresher and more fertile States, where cotton can be produced for a couple cents a pound less than it can be on the average lands in the older States. Overproduction would ruin them while the planters in the new field could survive and even make some profit on what would be ruinous prices to the planters in the older States.

But whether cotton culture is to continue in these older States or not, it is evident that they must be prepared for the competition that is inevitable from the west, and the sooner they begin to prepare for it the better prepared they will be to meet it when it comes, and by that time if they pursue the wise and business like course they will be so well fixed that they may look upon the market quotations for cotton with indifference.

The fact is that all the territory lying this side of the Ohio and Mississippi rivers ought to be a great tree-growing, fruit-growing, grain-growing, grass-growing, cattle, horse, mule, sheep and hog-growing section, not forgetting the Angora goat, and the dairy and the poultry that thrifty farmers should give attention to. We ought to raise wheat enough in this corner of the Republic to supply the home demand for flour, and beef and mutton and pork enough to supply the home demand for meats, and wool enough to supply the home demand for wool, and butter and poultry and eggs enough to supply the demands of millions. This may read like exaggeration, but it is all within the domain of possibility.

The time is coming, and it is not so far off, when the great ranges of the West will be cattle and sheep ranges no longer, for they will be divided into farms and fenced off, and the great herds and flocks will disappear. Then the stock yards must depend upon the farms for supplies of beef and mutton, as they now do for their supplies of pork, and when that day comes there will be a never failing market for all the meat the South can produce, and she ought to produce hundreds of heads of all kinds to the one she does now. When the industries that we have noted become the leading and general industries on the farms of this Southeast section it will be the most prosperous and the wealthiest section of the Union, for there will be with its natural resources other diversified industries to add to its prosperity and wealth.

## WHY NOT LET IT DIE?

While many of the Republican papers support the Hanna subsidy steal, because they regard it as a party measure, some of them, and some of the ablest, are opposed to it and denounce it without mincing language. In a recent editorial the Chicago *InterOcean*, one of the leading Republican papers of the west, thus denounces it:

"Many leading republicans understand these facts and are resolved to prevent any attempt to deliver the goods in the case. If the bill should by any chance get through the Senate, there are in the House many Republicans celebrated for party loyalty —yes, even for party servility—who stand ready to lead a party insurrection against it and to assist in voting it down.

"The people desire any proper law which will build up our mercantile marine. But the present subsidy bill is not of such laws. Its source is bad, its terms are bad, and some of the methods adopted to promote it are, at least, questionable.

"The auspices under which the bill was introduced made it unpopular in the middle West from the outset. No prominent Republican newspaper hereabouts has been able to defend it. Among the people at large it has barely a handful of friends. Why not let it die?"

This sizes up the Hanna scheme about right, and about as the majority of the intelligent people who are not some way interested in the proposed steal consider it. In all the Presidential campaign Hanna, or any of the rest of them never made any allusion to this contemplated grab, for they did not want that to become an issue, so they played mum on it. When they had carried the election they assumed that it meant not only an endorsement of everything the Republican administration had done but of everything it might propose to do. This is one of the arguments that Hanna offers in defence of that scheme, that it was endorsed by the votes cast for McKinley, when it was never as much as mentioned in any of their campaign speeches, or in any of the campaign literature distributed.

It is a fraud in every sense, a fraud on the people by springing it on them under the pretence that it was endorsed by them, and a fraud because it is claimed to be for the benefit of our commerce, whereas it is simply for the benefit of ship-owning companies, and ship builders, and also of the great steel combine, which will furnish the bulk of the material for ship building. It is a fraud all through, from beginning to end.

A New York woman who has been investigating the bibulous habits of the women who lunch at the nobby restaurants, found that about three-fourths of them drink some kind of liquor and most of them take "whiskey in their'n."


**A Night of Terror.**

"Awful anxiety was felt for the widow of the brave General Burnham, of Machias, Me., when the doctors said she could not live till morning," writes Mrs. S. H. Lincoln, who attended her that fearful night. "All thought she must soon die from Pneumonia, but she begged for Dr. King's New Discovery, saying it had more than once saved her life, and had cured her of Consumption. After three small doses she slept easily all night, and its further use completely cured her." This marvellous medicine is guaranteed to cure all Throat, Chest and Lung Diseases. Only 50c. and $1 00 Trial bottles 10c. at R. R. BELLAMY'S drug store.

**For Over Fifty Years**

MRS. WINSLOW'S SOOTHING SYRUP has been used for over fifty years by millions of mothers for their children while teething with perfect success. It soothes the child, soften the gums, and allays all pain; cures wind colic, and is the best remedy for diarrhœa. It will relieve the poor little sufferer immediately. Sold by druggists in every part of the world. Twenty five cents a bottle. Be sure and ask for "Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup," and take no other kind.

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## HE KNEW WHAT HE WAS ABOUT.

Among the advertisements conspicuous in some of the negro papers published in this country are decoctions for taking the kinks out of the negro's hair, for bleaching the skin, for removing objectionable odors, &c. As there are a good many of the colored brethren who desire all these things and think they would be greatly improved thereby, the manipulators of these decoctions have been doing a somewhat lively business, so much so as to have attracted the attention of some of the colored church bodies, which think it is about time to do some talking on that subject. It came up at a colored Methodist conference in Louisiana recently, when Bishop Smith expressed his views in the following robust style:

"God knew what He was about when He made you, and if He wanted you to have hair like white folks, He would have made it so; and if He wanted your skin to be like that of white folks, He would have bleached it Himself. You need not attempt to improve on your architecture. God made you and you must work out your future in this country, as He made you. Build up character, be true to yourself You will not be able to get away from your race. Use soap, water and towels. The negro who believes that any of these quack medicines or that anything else but soap and water will keep down bad odors, is guilty of an absurd mistake, as he will find out later. Keep your character white. Improve on it, and you will do your whole duty.'"

There isn't any foolishness about Bishop Smith, who realizes that the true and only way for the negro to improve himself is to build up character, and that a "white character" is in every way preferable to a bleached skin, even if that could be bleached to whiteness and be made to stick, for it would be an unimproved darkey after all under the artificially bleached skin.

## THEY WILL BE ALL ON IT.

More than a generation after the close of the war between the States there are nearly a million names on the pension roll and the sum paid pensioners foots up over $145,000,000. This sum will be increased instead of diminished, for the pensions from the Spanish war and the war in the Philippines will add to the names on the rolls and millions to the pensions. It is safe to assume that the bulk of the men who serve in the Philippines will go upon the pension rolls, for the climate there is a regular health wrecker.

It is said that there are ten thousand of the army of occupation now on the sick list and that very few who are attacked by disease entirely recover. They easily fall a prey to a second attack of the same disease or some other and never fully recover their strength. Of course every man who is invalided or suffers in any other way will become a pensioner, and unless there be a change in the pension methods a great many will go on who were fortunate enough to escape disease or other injury. What all this is going to amount to no one can tell, for we have entered upon a military enterprise over there the end of which no man can see.

Mr. Aulphin, of Mount Olive, claims to have discovered a process for preserving fruits and vegetables, which will keep them in a natural condition as long as they remain in the water. The fruit, &c., is first fumigated and then put in the water, which has previously been freed from all germ life. That's all. A bushel of peaches may be preserved for about three cents and in about four minutes. He will patent his process.

An exchange remarks that McKinley is taking a long time to write his inaugural. He might condense it into, "Here we are again, Hanna and I."

## SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

— Kinston *Free Press*: Daniel G. Wright, of Gibson, has filed a petition in voluntary bankruptcy. The liabilities are $3,368.41, with assets less than $1,000

— Mount Olive *Advertiser*: Ten million quarts is a conservative estimate of the strawberry crop of this State in 1901. From present indications Mount Olive will lead all other points in shipments by even a greater quantity than in years past.

— Chadbourn *Messenger*: From all sections fertilizer sales are reported large. The high prices received for cotton the past season will cause the acreage to be largely increased this year, and most of the fertilizers now being bought by farmers will be used for this crop.

— Danbury *Reporter*: Last Saturday Ray Martin and Frank Young, two of our most adventurous young huntsmen, while searching for game on Flatshoal mountain, found a tree full of flying squirrels. The animals flew in every direction through the woods, but Ray and Frank succeeded in bringing down one each which they had on exhibition on the streets later.

— Fayetteville *Observer*: The little 4-year old child of George Farmer, a negro man living just this side of Captain McPherson's, in 71st, was burned to death Monday. The child had been left alone in the house, and when the parents returned they found only a charred mass in the semblance of a human body. This is the fourth case of this kind that has come to our notice this winter as happening in Cumberland, and it is fair to presume that several other like cases have not been reported.

— Salisbury *Sun*: Miss Fannie Lyerly, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Lyerly, dropped dead Thursday afternoon at her father's home near Rockwell. Miss Lyerly had recently suffered a severe attack of the grip, but was convalescent and was sitting before the fire yesterday afternoon when she remarked to her mother that she was feeling worse and would go to bed. She arose from her chair and started toward the bed when she fell and in an instant expired.

**Baby's Future.**

The fond mother dreams great dreams of baby's future as she holds the sleeping little one in her arms. But the dreams will never come true unless she has given him a strong body and a healthy mind. Children die in hosts, or live to struggle through life feeble of body and dull of mind because the mother was unfit physically and mentally for motherhood. Women who use Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription endow their children with strong bodies and bright minds. It is every mother's duty to give her child the advantages of a healthy body and mind. A weak or sickly woman cannot do this. "Favorite Prescription" makes weak women strong and sick women well.

Mrs. Orrin Stiles, of Downing, Dunn Co., Wis., writes: "I have been intending to write to you ever since my baby was born in regard to what your 'Favorite Prescription' has done for me. I cannot praise it enough, for I have not been as well for five years as I now am. In July last I had a baby boy, weight 12 pounds, and I was only sick a short time, and since I got up have not had one sick day. I have not had any womb trouble since I got up. I was not only surprised myself but all of my friends here are surprised to see me so well."

Dr. Pierce's Pellets cure biliousness.


## SUNDAY SELECTIONS.

— A pure heart is never far away from God.

— The best teacher one can have is necessity.—*La None*.

— The modesty of true worth is only equalled by the worth of true modesty.

—Only actions give life strength; only moderation gives it charm.—*Richter*.

— Clocks will go as set; but man, irregular man, is never constant, never certain.—*Otway*

— The heart that is soonest awake to the flowers is always the first to be touched by the thorns —*Moore*.

— It is important that you do as much work as possible, but it is more important that you do it thoroughly unto the Lord.

— A true lover of God loveth Him alike in having and in not having, in sweetness and in bitterness, in good or evil report.

— When a man has been guilty of any vice or folly, the best atonement he can make for it is to warn others not to fall into the like.—*Addison*.

— Let yourselves never think that you grow liberal in faith by believing less; always be sure that the true liberality of faith can only come by believing more.—*Phillips Brooks*

— All the possible charities of life ought to be cultivated, and when we can neither be brethren nor friends let us be kind neighbors and pleasant acquaintances.—*Edmund Burke*.

## TWINKLINGS.

— He—what do you think a good name for a girl is? She—Any good man's *Syracuse Herald*.

— Foreign serf—"Your ceety ees not clean." American freeman—"No; it hasn't rained for some time." —*New York Weekly*.

— This is the latest conundrum in the Senate cloak rooms: "Why does Oom Paul wear rubber?" "To keep De Wet from defeat."—*Washington Post*

—Little Harry—"Why haven't we ever had a lady President, papa?" Papa—"Because, Harry, a man-made law makes it imperative that the President be more than thirty-six years old."—Judge.

— Boothgirl—"Take a chance and help the poor orphans!" Stage —"No, I am not buying to night. I am merely an observer." Boothgirl—"Ah, a close observer."—*Philadelphia North American*.

—Johnny—"Doesn't Uncle Henry like plum pudding?" Mamma—"Yes; but the doctor won't let him eat it." Johnny—"If was as big as him I'd like to see any doctor keep me from eating it!"—*Puck*.

— The Power of Habit: "Darling," she said, "do you love me as much as ever?" "Yes, dearie," said he, with his nose buried in his newspaper. That ought to have satisfied her, but she had to ask "Why?" "Oh, I donno. Habit, I suppose." — *Tit Bits*.

## CURRENT COMMENT.

—— Speaking of the G. A. R., a contemporary says that "within four or five years one half of the 400,000 members in 1890 will have passed from the rolls of the living." But not from the rolls of the pensioners.—*Louisville Courier-Journal, Dem.*

—— The countries of Europe are in a good position to laugh at our criticisms of their "militarism," while we are carrying upon our shoulders a burden twice as heavy as any one of them bears and are paying ten times as much per soldier as they pay.—*Savannah News, Dem.*

—— Secretary Gage has imposed a duty of a cent a pound on Russian sugar at the command of the Sugar Trust. Secretary Gage is a great financier—one of the very greatest that ever did what he was ordered to do and asked no questions.—*Norfolk Virginian-Pilot. Dem.*

—— "Ship subsidy is dead," gleefully cry the enemies of jobbery and profligacy in Congress. Not so—not so. In the next Congress, with its heavy Republican majority in both branches, the Treasury looters will pick their flints and try again. It is the auriferous era of unlimited swag, and shall they not have their share while the elephant goes around?—*Philadelphia Record, Dem.*

— Statesville *Landmark*: The *Landmark* learns that Mr. Howell Horne, a young man living near County Line, Davie county, was found dead in a branch near his home Tuesday night or early Wednesday morning. The circumstances of his death are peculiar and distressing. Young Horne was suffering from an attack of pneumonia and on Tuesday evening or night became unmanageable, it was supposed, from delirium, dressed himself and left the house, those present being unable to restrain him. Later, as stated, he was found dead in a small stream near his home.


**"SLEEP WELL."**

EUGENE FIELD

I hear thy voice, dear Lord;
I hear it by the stormy sea,
When winter nights are black and wild,
And when, affright, I call to thee;
It calms my fears and whispers me,
"Sleep well, my child."

I hear thy voice, dear Lord,
In singing winds, in falling snow,
The curfew chimes, the midnight bell;
"Sleep well, my child," it murmurs low;
"The guardian angels come and go,
O child, sleep well."

I hear thy voice, dear Lord,
Aye, though the singing winds be stilled;
Though hushed the tumult of the deep,
My fainting heart with anguish chilled
By thy assuring tone is thrilled—
"Fear not, and sleep."

Speak on—speak on, dear Lord!
And when the last dread night is near,
With doubts and fears and terrors wild,
O let my soul, expiring, hear
Only these words of heavenly cheer,
"Sleep well, my child."


## SUNDAY SERVICES.

Christian Science service at the Masonic Temple, room 10, this morning at 11:15 o'clock. Subject of Bible Lesson. "Mind."

First Baptist Church, Rev. Calvin S. Blackwell, D. D. pastor: 11 A. M., "Soul Struggles:" 7:45 P. M., "The Religion of the Wedding Ring."

In St. James' Church on Sunday, morning service and sermon at 11 o'clock; Sunday school 3.45 o'clock; evening prayer 5 o'clock.

St. Matthews English Lutheran church, North Fourth street, above Bladen, Rev. G. D. Bernheim pastor. Morning service only at 11 o'clock; Sunday school at 9:45 a m. All seats free and every person welcome.

St Paul's Lutheran Church, Sixth and Market streets, Rev. A. G. Voigt pastor. English services to day at 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. Installation of church council at the morning service. Sunday School at 3 30 P. M.

**Thoreau's Mother's Ghost.**

"Besides Thoreau and his mother, the house (at Concord) has had for its occupants A. Bronson Alcott and family, including his distinguished daughter, Louisa M., the author," writes Samuel S. Kingdon in The Ladies' Home Journal. "To them sometimes came the ghost of Mme. Thoreau. Those who know Mme. Thoreau and her habits confirm the description given by a servant, who left the house because of the visitation, in every detail; her tall, gaunt figure, her big, white cap, her stealthy step, her quiet comings, her noiseless goings.

"When seen, she invariably stood in the doorway, her great cap well adjusted, her neat handkerchief, half unfolded, tucked securely into the waistband of her full dress skirt—pausing a moment on the threshold, looking anxiously about, then stooping and running her finger along the edge of the mopboard, to see if perchance a speck of dust had found lodgment there. Proceeding to the workroom, she glanced in, then glided to the fireplace, stooping over it and motioning with her hands as if in the act of covering the coals with ashes.

"In life, it should be said, the two prominent characteristics of Mme. Thoreau were an abhorrence of dust and a dread of fire. Satisfied on these points, the spirit would disappear. Unlike other ghosts, this one always appeared in the daytime."

**Anxious to Do His Best.**

It was a mean trick, but, then, that is the kind that's usually successful.

"That dog," said the owner, "will bring me anything I send him for, and I am willing to bet on it."

Straightway a bet was arranged, and then the manager of the billiard hall suggested that he would like to have the pool table brought to him.

"Certainly," answered the owner of the dog, and he pointed to the table and said, "Fetch it!"

The dog raced around it once or twice and then grabbed a pocket and tore it off.

"Hold on!" cried the billiard man. "He'll ruin the table."

"Of course," answered the owner of the dog, "but if you give him time he'll get it all over here. You didn't suppose he could bring it in one trip, did you?"

But the billiard man paid the bet.—Chicago Post.

**Cold Steel or Death.**

"There is but one small chance to save your life and that is through an operasion," was the awful prospect set before Mrs. I B. Hunt, of Lime Ridge, Wis., by her doctor after vainly trying to cure her of a frightful case of stomach trouble and yellow jaundice. He didn't count on the marvellous power of Electric Bitters to cure Stomach and Liver troubles, but she heard of it, took seven bottles, was wholly cured, avoided the surgeon's knife, now weighs more and feels better than ever. It's positively guaranteed to cure Stomach, Liver and Kidney troubles and never disappoints. Price 50c. at R. R. BELLAMY'S drug store.


## MARINE DIRECTORY.

**List of Vessels in the Port of Wilmington, N. C., Feb. 15, 1901.**

SCHOONERS.

Laguna, 328 tons, Bayles, George Harriss, Son & Co.
Edgar C Ross, 380 tons, Quilan, George Harriss, Son & Co.
Helen Shafner, (Br), 180 tons, Chute, George Harriss, Son & Co.
J Howell Leeds, 152 tons, Bateman, George Harriss, Son & Co.
Mary T Quinby, 1,047 tons, Ayre, R W Hicks.
C C Wehrum, 375 tons, Cavalier, George Harriss, Son & Co.
Jno I Snow, 152 tons, Ott, George Harriss, Son & Co.
Lillie, (Br) 311 tons, Davis, George Harriss, Son & Co.

STEAMSHIPS.

Oaklands, (Br) 1,252 tons, Granger, Alexander Sprunt & Son.
Dora, (Br) 1,105 tons, Goulding, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

BARQUES.

Albatros, (Nor) 491 tons, Rasmussen, Heide & Co.
Bertha, (Swd) 487 tons, Peterson, Heide & Co.
Chas Loring (Am) 525 tons, George Harriss, Son & Co.

BRIGS.

M C Haskell, 299 tons, Wingfield, George Harriss, Son & Co.

BARGE.

Carrie L Tyler, 610 tons, Bonneau, Virginia-Carolina Chemical Company.


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## WOMEN FEAR LA GRIPPE AND CATARRH.

### Pe-ru-na a Reliable Protection.

MRS. THEOPHILE SCHMITT, OF CHICAGO.

Mrs. Theophile Schmitt, wife of the Ex-Secretary of the German consulate, writes the following letter to Dr. Hartman, from 3417 Wabash Ave., Chicago, Ill. Mrs. Schmitt says: "I suffered this winter with a severe attack of la grippe, and having repeatedly heard of the value of Pe-ru-na in such cases I thought I would try it. I used it faithfully and began to feel a change for the better the second day, and in the course of a week I was very much improved. After using three bottles I not only found that the grippe had disappeared, but my general health was much better. I am satisfied that Pe-ru-na is a wonderful family remedy and gladly endorse it. Yours, Mrs. Theophile Schmitt."

Mrs. M. E. Wheeler, Rockford, Tenn., writes: "I am very glad to write you that I am in every way cured of catarrh with which I have been troubled for ten years or more. I feel very grateful to you for curing my catarrh, as it was a very stubborn case. I have felt no symptoms of the catarrh for over a year. If you think this letter will be of any use to suffering humanity you may use it."

Mrs. M. E. Wheeler.

La grippe is acute, epidemic catarrh. There is no remedy in the world that meets this form of catarrh as thoroughly as Pe-ru-na. During the first stages of la grippe Pe-ru-na is an unfailing remedy. People who have had la grippe and have partly recovered, but remain half sick, will find Pe-ru-na exactly suited to their case. There is no remedy devised that will so quickly and thoroughly dispel the disagreeable and serious after-effects of la grippe as Pe-ru-na.

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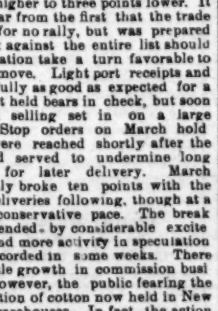

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## COMMERCIAL.

### WILMINGTON MARKET.

[Quoted officially at the closing by the Produce Exchange.]

STAR OFFICE, February 16.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Nothing doing.
ROSIN—Nothing doing.
TAR—Market steady at $1.15 per bbl of 280 lbs.
CRUDE TURPENTINE.—Market quiet at $1.30 per barrel for hard $2.30 for dip and —— for virgin.

Quotations same day last year.—Spirits turpentine firm at 54@53½c; rosin firm at $1 40@1 45; tar firm at $1 30; crude turpentine firm at $2.00 @$3.25.

RECEIPTS.

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|---|---|
| Spirits turpentine | 36 |
| Rosin | 109 |
| Tar | 714 |
| Crude turpentine | 7 |

Receipts same day last year—17 casks spirits turpentine, 398 bbls rosin, 533 bbls tar, 89 bbls crude turpentine.

COTTON.

Market firm on a basis of 9c per pound for middling. Quotations:

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| Ordinary | 6 9 16 cts. | ₱ lb |
| Good ordinary | 7 15 16 | " " |
| Low middling | 8 9 16 | " " |
| Middling | 9 | " " |
| Good middling | 9 5-16 | " " |

Same day last year middling firm at 8½c.

Receipts—536 bales; same day last year, 1,032.

[Corrected Regularly by Wilmington Produce Commission Merchants.]

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

PEANUTS — North Carolina — Prime 70c. Extra prime, 75c per bushel of 28 pounds; fancy, 80c. Virginia—Prime, 50c; extra prime, 55c; fancy, 60c; Spanish 75c.
CORN—Firm: 58 to 60c per bushel for white.
N. C. BACON—Steady; hams 13 to 15c per pound; shoulders, 8 to 10c; sides, 8 to 10c.
EGGS—Firm at 14c per dozen.
CHICKENS—Dull. Grown, 12½@25c; springs, 10@17c.
TURKEYS—Live, dull at 8 to 8½c; dressed, 10 to 11c.
BEESWAX—Firm at 25c.
TALLOW—Firm at 5½@6½c per pound
SWEET POTATOES—Firm at 55c.

## FINANCIAL MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Feb. 16.—Money on call was quoted nominal. Prime mercantile paper 3½@4½ per ct. Sterling exchange weak, nominal; actual business in bankers' bills at 487½ for demand and 481½ for sixty days. Posted rates 485@485½ and 488½@489. Commercial bills 483½@484. Silver certificates 62@63. Bar silver 61½. Mexican dollars 47¼. Government bonds steady. State bonds inactive. Railroad bonds steady. U. S refunding 2's reg'd, 105½; U. S. refund'g 2's, coupon, 105½ U.S. 3's, reg'd,—; U.S. 3's, reg'd, 110½; do. coupon, 110¾; U. S. 4's, new reg'd, 137½; do. coupon, 137¼; U. S. 4's, old reg'd, 113½; do. coupon, 113½; U. S. 5's, reg'd. 110¾; do. coupon, 110¾; Southern R'y 5's 115¾. Stocks: Baltimore & Ohio 91¼; Chesapeake & Ohio 40¾; Manhattan L 117¼; N. Y. Central 145½; Reading 32¾; do. 1st pref'd 75¼; St. Paul, 150½; do. pref'd, 190; Southern Railway 28; pref'd 74½; American Tobacco, 117; do. pref'd 140; People's Gas 100¾; Sugar 136¼; do. pref'd 120; T. C. & Iron 63¼; U. S. Leather 13¾; do. preferred 74¼; Western Union 88¾. Standard Oil 798@800.

BALTIMORE, February 16.—Seaboard Air Line, common, 14½@14¾; do. preferred 31½@31¼. Bonds—4's 73¼@73¼.

## NAVAL STORES MARKETS

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Feb. 16.—Rosin quiet Strained common to good $1 65. Spirits turpentine dull at 39¼@40c.

CHARLESTON, Feb. 16.—Spirits turpentine steady at 36½c; sales — casks Rosin firm and unchanged.

SAVANNAH, Feb. 16.—Spirits turpentine firm at 37c; sales 323 casks; receipts 147 casks; exports 1,923 casks. Rosin firm; E, F, and G 5c up; sales 1,251 barrels; receipts 3 981 barrels; exports 4,508 barrels.

## COTTON MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Feb. 16.—The cotton market opened barely steady and two points higher to three points lower. It was clear from the first that the trade looked for no rally, but was prepared to work against the entire list should the situation take a turn favorable to such a move. Light port receipts and cables fully as good as expected for a moment held bears in check, but soon general selling set in on a large scale. Stop orders on March holdings were reached shortly after the call and served to undermine long cotton for later delivery. March promptly broke ten points with the later deliveries following, though at a more conservative pace. The break was attended by considerable excitement and more activity in speculation than recorded in some weeks. There was little growth in commission business, however, the public fearing the liquidation of cotton now held in New York warehouses. In fact the action of March did much to confirm opinions in this respect. While there was slight reaction later in the morning on flurries of room profit-taking the general course of the market was downward. The market for futures closed steady with prices net unchanged to six points lower.

NEW YORK, Feb 16.—Cotton dull; middling uplands 9¾c.

Cotton futures market closed steady: February 8 92, March 8 96, April 8 98, May 9.02, June 9 00 July 9.01, August 8 67, September 8.23, October 7.99, November 7 92. December 7-88.

Spot cotton closed dull and ¼c lower: middling uplands 9¾c; middling gulf 9¾c; sales — bales.

Net receipts 232 bales; gross receipts 232 bales; stock 143 967 bales.

Total to-day—Net receipts 18,305 bales; exports to Great Britain 300 bales; exports to the Continent 34,380 bales; stock 894,786 bales.

Consolidated—Net receipts 18 305 bales; exports to Great Britain 300 bales; exports to the Continent 34,380 bales.

Total since September 1st.—Net receipts 5,620 122 bales; exports to Great Britain 2 098 408 bales; exports to France 490 020 bales; exports to the Continent 1,577,082 bales.

February 16.—Galveston, quiet at 9¼c, net receipts 5,569 bales; Norfolk, quiet at 9¼c, net receipts 811 bales; Baltimore, nominal at 9¼c, net receipts — bales; Boston, dull at 9¾c net receipts 1,993 bales; Wilmington, firm at 9¼c, net receipts 536 bales; Philadelphia dull at 9¾c, net receipts 75 bales; Savannah, easy at 9 3 16c, net receipts 3,217 bales; New Orleans, quiet at 9¼c, net receipts 5,016 bales; Mobile, quiet at 9c, net receipts 45 bales; Memphis, quiet at 9¼c, net receipts 1,406 bales; Augusta, quiet at 9 3 16c, net receipts 483 bales; Charleston, quiet at 9 1 16, net receipts 814 bales.

## PRODUCE MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, February 16.—Flour was unsettled and quiet with traders 10@30c apart on some grades: Minnesota patents $4 10@4 30; winter patents $3 65@4 00. Wheat—Spot dull; No. 2 red 80½c f. o. b. afloat; options opened easy on account of disappointing cables, heavy Australian exports, prospects of bearish weekly statistics on Monday and scattered unloosing. Finally rallied a little with corn and market closed steady and unchanged. Sales included: No. 2 red March closed 48¾c; May closed 80c; July closed 79¾c. Corn—Spot firm; No. 2 48½c at elevator; options opened easy with wheat on cable news, but at once rallied on response to local covering, warmer conditions West, and prospects of small receipts. Closed firm at ½@¾c net advance: February closed —c; March closed 48¾c; May closed 46½c; July closed 45¾c. Oats—Spot quiet; No. 2 30½c; options quiet but firmer. Lard steady; Western steam $7 80; refined steady; continent $7 90; South American $8 75; compound 5⅝@5¾c. Pork quiet; family $15 00@15 50; short clear $14 75@16 50; mess $13 75@14 50. Butter firm; fresh creamery 16@23c; State dairy 13@21c. Cheese was quoted firm; fancy large, fall made 11¼@11½; small fancy, fall made 11¾@12c. Potatoes—Market steady; Jersey $1 25@1 75; New York $1 50@1 75; Long Island $1 50@1 87½; Jersey sweets $1 75@2 50 Petroleum quiet; refined New York $7 80; Philadelphia and Baltimore $7 75; do. in bulk $5 20. Rice steady; domestic, fair to extra 3¾@6¼c; Japan 4¼@4¾c. Eggs were easy; State and Pennsylvania at mark 17@17½c. Southern at mark 16@16½. Cabbage steady; Long Island, per 100, $3 00@4 00. Peanuts quiet; fancy hand-picked 4¼@5c; other domestic, 5c. Freights to Liverpool—Cotton by steam 14c. Cotton seed oil was quiet and about steady, without quotable change: Prime crude, in barrels, 27c, nominal; prime summer yellow 29¾@29½c; off summer yellow 29½c; prime white 34@35c; prime winter yellow 35¼@36; prime mea $35. Coffee—Spot Rio quiet; No. 7 invoice 7½c; mild quiet; Cordova 8@12¾c. Sugar—Market steady for raw; fair refining 3¾c; centrifugal, 96 test 4¼c; molasses sugar 3½c; refined quiet; standard A $5 30; confectioners' A $5 30; cut loaf $6 00; crushed $6 00; powdered $5 60; granulated $5 50; cubes $5 75; mould A $5 85.

CHICAGO, Feb. 16.—Cash quotations: Flour quiet; winter patents $3 60@3 80; winter straights $3 20@3 60, winter clears $2 70@3 30; spring specials $4 20@4 30; do. patents $3 50@3 70, baker's $3 20@3 50; straights $3 00@3 30. Wheat—No. 2 spring —c; No 3 spring 66@72c; No. 2 red 74¾@76c. Corn—No. 2, 39@39¼c. Oats—No 2 25¾@25¾c; No. 2 white 28@29c; No. 3 white 27@28c. Pork, per barrel, $13 90@13 95. Lard, per 100 lbs, $7 42½@7 45 Short rib sides, loose, $7 00@7 20. Dry salted shoulders, $6 25@6 50. Short clear sides, boxed $7 35@7 75. Whiskey—Distillers' finished goods, per gallon $1 27

The leading futures ranged as follows—opening, highest, lowest and closing: Wheat—No 2 February 73¾, 73¾, 73¾, 73¾@73½c; March 73¾, 74½ 73¾, 74; May 75¾@75¾, 75¾@75¾, 75¼, 75¼c. Corn—February 39, 39¾, 39¼ 39¾c; May 40¾@40¾ 41¼, 40¾, 41¼@41¾c Oats—February 24¾, 24¾, 24¾, 24¾c; May 25¾, 25¾, 25¾, 25¾. Pork per bbl—February $13 95; May $14 12½, 14 20, 14 07½, 14 15. Lard, per 100 lbs—March $7 45; May $7 55, 7 55, 7 50, $7 52½; July $7 57½, 7 57½, 7 55, 7 55 Short ribs, per 100 lbs—February $7 12½, 7 12½ 7 07½, 7 10; September $7 25, 7 25, 7 20, 7 22½.

## FOREIGN MARKET.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LIVERPOOL, February 16, 1 P. M.—Cotton—Spot quiet, prices 1 16d lower; American middling fair, 5¾c good middling 5 15-32d; middling 5 11 32d; low middling 5 5 32d; good ordinary 4 29 32d; ordinary 4 21 32d. The sales of the day were 6,000 bales, of which 500 bales were for speculation and export and included 5,700 bales American. Receipts 4 000 bales, including 1,300 bales American.

Futures opened and closed quiet; American middling (l. m. c.) February 5 16 64@5 17 64d buyer; February and March 5 12 64@5 13 64d buyer; March and April 5 11 64d value; April and May 5 9 64@5 10 64d seller; May and June 5 8 64d seller; June and July 5 6 64d seller; July and August 5 3 64@5 4-64d seller; August and September 4 55 64d buyer; October (g. o. c) 4 35-64d buyer; October and November (g o. c.) 4 26 64d buyer.

## MARINE.

**CLEARED.**

Stmr Driver, Bradshaw, Fayetteville, T D Love.
Stmr A J Johnson, Marley, Clear Run, by master.
Clyde steamship Saginaw, Hale, New York. H G Smallbones.
Stmr A P Hurt, Robeson, Fayetteville, James Madden.

**BY RIVER AND RAIL.**

Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday.

W. & W. Railroad—92 bales cotton.
W. C. & A. Railroad—232 bales cotton, 12 casks spirits turpentine, 36 barrels rosin, 49 barrels tar, 7 barrels crude turpentine.
A. & Y. Railroad—31 bales cotton, 2 casks spirits turpentine, 85 barrels tar.
C. C. Railroad—2 casks spirits turpentine, 10 barrels tar.

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## PRISONER OF WAR

A Landlord Goes to Collect His Rent and Instead Gets Collected Himself.

"No rent again this month! This is the third time it has happened within the half year. I'll go there myself and get the money, or I'll know the reason why."

Matthew Deane was in particularly bad humor this raw December morning. Everything had gone wrong. Stocks had fallen when they ought to have risen, his clerk had tipped over the inkstand on his special and peculiar heap of paper, the fire obstinately refused to burn in the grate—in short, nothing went right, and Mr. Deane was consequently and correspondingly cross.

"Jenkins!"

"Yes, sir."

"Go to the Widow Clarkson and tell her I shall be there in half an hour and expect confidently—mind, Jenkins, confidently—to receive that rent money, or else I shall feel myself obliged to resort to extreme measures. You understand, Jenkins?"

"Certainly, sir."

"Then don't stand there staring like an idiot!" snarled Mr. Deane in a sudden burst of irritation, and Jenkins disappeared like a shot.

Just half an hour afterward Matthew Deane brushed the brown hair just sprinkled with gray from his square yet not unkindly brow. Putting on his fur lined overcoat, he walked forth into the chilly winter air fully determined figuratively to annihilate the defaulting Widow Clarkson.

It was a dwarfish little red brick house, which appeared originally to have aspired to two storyhood lot, but, cramped by circumstances, had settled down into a story and a half, but the windows shone like Brazilian pebbles, and the doorsteps were worn by much scouring. Neither of these circumstances, however, did Mr. Deane remark as he pulled the glittering brass doorknob and strode into Mrs. Clarkson's neat parlor.

There was a small fire—very small, as if every lump of anthracite was hoarded in the stove—and at a table, with writing implements before her, sat a young lady whom Mr. Deane at once recognized as Mrs. Clarkson's niece, Miss Olive Mellen. She was not disagreeable to look upon, though you would never have thought of classing her among the beauties, with shining black hair, blue, long lashed eyes and a very pretty mouth, hiding teeth like rice kernels, so white were they.

Miss Mellen rose with a polite nod, which was grimly reciprocated by Mr. Deane.

"I have called to see your aunt, Miss Mellen."

"I know it, sir, but as I am aware of her timid temperament I sent her away. I prefer to deal with you myself."

Mr. Deane started. The cool audacity of this damsel in gray, with scarlet ribbons in her hair, rather astonished him.

"I suppose the money is ready?"

"No, sir; it is not."

"Then, Miss Olive—pardon me—I must speak plainly, I shall send an officer here this afternoon to put a valuation on the furniture and"—

"You will do nothing of the kind, sir!"

Olive's cheeks had reddened, and her eyes flashed portentously. Mr. Deane turned toward the door, but ere he knew what she was doing Olive had walked quietly across the room, locked the door and taken out the key. Then she resumed her seat.

"What does this mean?" ejaculated the astonished "prisoner of war."

"It means, sir, that you will now be obliged to reconsider the question," said Olive.

"Obliged?"

"Yes. You will hardly jump out of the window, and there is no other method of egress, unless you choose to go up the chimney. Now, then, Mr. Deane, will you tell me if you, a Christian man in the nineteenth century, intend to sell a poor widow's furniture because she is not able to pay your rent? Listen, sir!"

Mr. Deane had opened his mouth to remonstrate, but Olive enforced her words with a very emphatic little stamp of the foot, and he was, as it were, stricken dumb.

"You are what the world calls a rich man, Mr. Deane. You own rows of houses, piles of bank stock, railroad shares, bonds and mortgages—who knows what? My aunt has nothing. I support her by copying. Now, if this case be carried into a court of law, my poor ailing aunt will be a sufferer. You would emerge unscathed and profiting. You are not a bad man, Mr. Deane; you have a great many noble qualities, and I like you for them." She paused an instant and looked intently and gravely at Mr. Deane. The color rose to his cheek. It was not disagreeable to be told by a pretty young girl that she liked him, on any terms, yet she had indulged in pretty plain speaking. "I have heard," she went on, "of your doing kind actions when you were in the humor for it. You can do them and you shall in this instance. You are cross this morning, you know you are! Hush, no excuse! You are selfish and irritable and overbearing! If I were your mother, and you a little boy, I should certainly put you in a corner until you promised to be good."

Mr. Deane smiled, although he was getting angry. Olive went on with the utmost composure:

"But as it is, I shall only keep you here a prisoner until you have behaved and given me your word not to annoy my aunt again for rent until she is able to pay you. Then, and not until then, will you receive your money. Do you promise? Yes or no?"

"I certainly shall agree to no such terms," said Mr. Deane tartly.

"Very well, sir; I can wait."

Miss Mellen deposited the key in the pocket of her gray dress and sat down to her copying. Had she been a man Mr. Deane would probably have knocked her down; as it was, she wore an invisible armor of power in the very fact that she was a fragile, slight woman, and she knew it.

"Miss Olive," he said sternly, "let us terminate this mummery. Unlock that door!"

"Mr. Deane, I will not!"

"I shall shout and alarm the neighborhood then or call a policeman."

"Very well, Mr. Deane. Do so if you please."

She dipped her pen in the ink and began on a fresh page. Matthew sat down, puzzled and discomfited, and watched the long lashed eyes and faintly tinted cheeks of his keeper. She was very pretty. What a pity she was so obstinate!

"Miss Olive!"

"Sir?"

"The clock has just struck 12."

"I heard it."

"I should like to go out to get some lunch."

"I am sorry that that luxury is out of your power."

"But I'm confounded hungry."

"Are you?"

"And I'm not going to stand this sort of thing any longer."

"No?"

How provokingly nonchalant she was! Mr. Deane eyed the pocket of the gray dress greedily and walked up and down the room pettishly.

"I have an appointment at 1."

"Indeed! What a pity you will be unable to keep it!"

He took another turn across the room. Olive looked up with a smile.

"Well, are you ready to promise?"

"Hang it, yes! What else can I do?"

"You promise?"

"I do, because I can't help myself."

Olive drew the key from her pocket, with softened eyes.

"You have made me very happy, Mr. Deane. I dare say you think me unwomanly and unfeminine, but indeed you do not know to what extremities we are driven by poverty. Good morning, sir."

Mr. Deane sallied forth with a curious complication of thoughts and emotions struggling through his brain, in which gray dresses, long lashed blue eyes and scarlet ribbons played a prominent part.

"Did you get the money, sir?" asked the clerk when he walked into the office.

"Mind your business, sir," was the tart response.

"I pity her husband," thought Mr. Deane as he turned the papers over on his desk. "How she will henpeck him! By the way, I wonder who her husband will be?"

The next day he called at the Widow Clarkson's to assure Miss Mellen that he had no idea of breaking his promise, and the next but one after that he came to tell the young lady she need entertain no doubt of his integrity, and the next week he dropped in on them with no particular errand to serve as an excuse!

"When shall we be married, Olive? Next month, dearest? Do not let us put it off later."

"I have no wishes but yours, Matthew."

"Really, Miss Olive Mellen, to hear that meek tone one would suppose you had never locked me up here and tyrannized over me as a jailer."

Olive burst into a merry laugh.

"You dear old Matthew! I give you warning beforehand that I mean to have my own way in everything. Do you wish to recede from your bargain? It is not too late yet."

No, Matthew Deane didn't. He had a vague idea that it would be very pleasant to be henpecked by Olive!—Chicago Times-Herald.

### The Senate's Hole In the Wall.

When the nineteenth century was as yet only half grown, senators applied customarily for their toddies at the so called Hole In the Wall, a small circular room just off the postoffice of the upper house. The latter body, as will be remembered, then occupied what is now the chamber of the supreme court, and the postoffice was across the main corridor of the building on the same floor. When a wearer of the toga found himself in need of a "shifter," he had only to cross over to the mails department and pass through it to the little circular room aforesaid, which was about the size of a pantry.

The Hole In the Wall was the first senate restaurant, and the bill of fare for edibles was short, though to the point. There were ham, guaranteed to have been smoked for six months, a veritable sublimation of the pork product; likewise corned beef and bread and cheese, but very little else. They served, however, as an accompaniment for the fluids, and when the Hole was crowded, as was often the case, senators ate their sandwiches outside, in the postoffice.—Washington Post.

### He Obeyed.

Murat Halstead, the great journalist of wartimes, went to General William T. Sherman's headquarters once for the "latest news from the front." Halstead was armed with many fine introductory letters, but decided to rely mainly on one given him by Thomas Ewing, Sherman's brother-in-law. He found the general and presented Ewing's letter. The general opened it somewhat impatiently, read a few lines, folded it and said:

"Ah, you come from Ewing, and you desire to have 'all the latest news,' the 'next probable move' of our army, eh? Well, there's a train leaving this town for Cincinnati at 2 o'clock. Here, take this ticket, and step over there and get your dinner, and then get on that train."

"Well, but, General Sherman"— began the newspaper man. But Sherman waved him off.

"Go over and get a good dinner; we have plenty and always strive to treat our friends well. But be sure you don't miss that 2 o'clock train!" And Halstead wisely obeyed.

### Nearly a Precedent.

While there has never been an instance in which the president and the vice president chosen with him have both died in the course of the term for which they were chosen, this came very near happening in the term for which Harrison and Tyler were elected. When Tyler was serving as president after the death of Harrison, he had an extremely narrow escape from death by the explosion of the big gun Peacemaker on the steamer Princeton, Feb. 28, 1844, which killed two members of Tyler's cabinet—Secretary of State Abel P. Upshur and Secretary of the Navy Thomas W. Gilmer—and David Gardiner, the father of Tyler's second wife.

### Bridle and Bit.

The latest anecdote about the bishop of Winchester is told in the London Outlook. After a recent ecclesiastical function, as the clergy were trooping in to luncheon, one of the most unctuous observed, "Now to put a bridle on our appetites!"

"Now to put a bit between my teeth!" retorted the bishop.

### A Unique Introduction.

One day when calling upon Gambetta I found him vastly amused over a visit which he had received a few minutes previously from the late General Meredith Read, who for a number of years was United States envoy at Athens.

Then general, who until that time had been a perfect stranger to the great French statesman, had entered the latter's presence, carrying in his hand a volume entitled "Men of the Time," or some work of the kind. This he opened, without saying a word, and laid on Gambetta's desk before attempting to greet him or to explain the purpose of his call.

Then, pointing to a column which contained a very eulogistic biographical notice of himself, he exclaimed, "Kindly read that," and when Gambetta, who read English with the utmost facility, had, in compliance with the request, cast his eye over the page in question, General Read rose from his chair, and with a bow to Gambetta pointed to himself, exclaiming in tones of pardonable pride, "C'est moi."

Then, and not until then, did he extend his hand to the great tribune, who, having meanwhile risen from his chair, expressed his pleasure at making the acquaintance of so distinguished an officer, who had rendered such valuable services to the United States.

Gambetta informed me that in the whole of his long experience of public life he had never known a man to introduce himself in so delightfully original a manner.—Critic.

### "Ze Flavour Del'eat."

At one of his famous little dinners a prominent professional man of Washington was greatly pleased with the salad, as were also his guests. Evidently if was partly meat and partly vegetable, but the flavor was new, distinct and undeterminable. This was so faint that one guest declared "It's not a taste at all, only a smell."

At length some one suggested that the chef be asked for the recipe, upon which the host remarked:

"My man greatly dislikes being asked for recipes. On this occasion, however, his vanity may overcome him if we tell how greatly we have enjoyed the dinner, and the salad in particular. At any rate, we'll see."

The Frenchman soon appeared, and was visibly affected, not to say elated, by the compliments.

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## THE COMING COTTON REGION.

For some years past thoughtful Southern farmers and many of the Southern newspapers have been urging diversified farming as the system for Southern farmers to pursue. The all-cotton system had proved a bad one for the reason that it resulted in overproduction and consequent low prices, and the raising of the cotton on the credit system, which put the planters in debt and kept them in debt. Two remedies were suggested; one reduced acreage, which, although much discussed, was never much acted upon, and diversified farming, which was acted upon to some extent, but not so much as it should have been. But its good effects have become so apparent that there is little doubt that the farmers who have entered upon it will continue, and that others will follow their example, the number increasing annually, until the farmer who does not raise his own supplies will be the exception, as the farmer who did was not many years ago.

The appeals for reduced acreage and diversified farming were made to the planters of the South generally, regardless of the particular section in which they lived, and the object was to save them from loss by preventing overproduction of cotton and to help them to keep out of debt by raising stuff that they had been in the habit of buying, many of them on credit at a high interest rate, considering the prices they paid on their time purchases. The improved condition of the farmers in the cotton States shows that the appeals were not entirely in vain, for the improvement began even before the price of cotton began to approximate present figures.

But here is an argument for diversified farming from a different standpoint, addressed to the cotton growers in the eastern section of the cotton belt, not as a protection from low prices and loss on production, but as a protection from the cotton grower in the western section of the belt. It is clipped from the New York *Press*:

"Diversification of industries, especially of crops, is a duty which the old South cannot longer delay. Even 7,000,000 acres are only about one-twenty-fourth of the total area of Texas. Farther west there are vast though dry prairies, the spaciousness of which the eastern imagination simply cannot grasp. New Mexico's 122,000 and and Arizona's 113,000 square miles cannot be kept out of Statehood much longer, and with Statehood will come exploitation, immigration and that irrigation which will turn hitherto useless deserts into fresh, rich soil that will produce everything, including cotton. The western cotton plantations of the future will be nearer to China and other oriental markets than the South of to-day will be even when the Nicaragua canal is built. It will not be many years now before the South must learn, by sad experience if she refuses to learn it by happy and enterprising experience, that a diversification of industries not only enriches a region by enabling it to supply as many of its own demands as possible, to a great saving of freight, but is also a wise provision against the strain of migration of industries which world growth imposes."

With 7,000,000 acres of cotton growing land in Texas and the large area adapted to its cultivation in Oklahoma, the Indian Territory, Arizona, New Mexico and Southern California, not to speak of Mexico, it is only a question of time when cotton culture will be transferred to the other side of the Mississippi and very little of it be left on this side, save perhaps in the rich bottom lands on the Mississippi where large yields are secured at small cost compared with the poorer lands which are dependent upon commercial fertilizers. The building of mills may be instrumental in keeping the cotton plant in the eastern part of the belt, although in reduced acreage.

It will be some years yet before this becomes apparent, for it will be some years before this Western cotton region, with the exception of Texas, will be sufficiently populated and supplied with transportation to become a very large producer of cotton, or other agricultural products. And this is well for the growers in the old States, for it will give them time to change their system and get out of cotton and into other products gradually.

When the profit on cotton becomes altogether a matter of cost of production it will be useless for the growers in the older and less fertile States to hope to compete with the growers in the younger, fresher and more fertile States, where cotton can be produced for a couple cents a pound less than it can be on the average lands in the older States. Overproduction would ruin them while the planters in the new field could survive and even make some profit on what would be ruinous prices to the planters in the older States.

But whether cotton culture is to continue in these older States or not, it is evident that they must be prepared for the competition that is inevitable from the west, and the sooner they begin to prepare for it the better prepared they will be to meet it when it comes, and by that time if they pursue the wise and business like course they will be so well fixed that they may look upon the market quotations for cotton with indifference.

The fact is that all the territory lying this side of the Ohio and Mississippi rivers ought to be a great tree-growing, fruit-growing, grain-growing, grass-growing, cattle, horse, mule, sheep and hog-growing section, not forgetting the Angora goat, and the dairy and the poultry that thrifty farmers should give attention to. We ought to raise wheat enough in this corner of the Republic to supply the home demand for flour, and beef and mutton and pork enough to supply the home demand for meats, and wool enough to supply the home demand for wool, and butter and poultry and eggs enough to supply the demands of millions. This may read like exaggeration, but it is all within the domain of possibility.

The time is coming, and it is not so far off, when the great ranges of the West will be cattle and sheep ranges no longer, for they will be divided into farms and fenced off, and the great herds and flocks will disappear. Then the stock yards must depend upon the farms for supplies of beef and mutton, as they now do for their supplies of pork, and when that day comes there will be a never failing market for all the meat the South can produce, and she ought to produce hundreds of heads of all kinds to the one she does now. When the industries that we have noted become the leading and general industries on the farms of this Southeast section it will be the most prosperous and the wealthiest section of the Union, for there will be with its natural resources other diversified industries to add to its prosperity and wealth.

## WHY NOT LET IT DIE?

While many of the Republican papers support the Hanna subsidy steal, because they regard it as a party measure, some of them, and some of the ablest, are opposed to it and denounce it without mincing language. In a recent editorial the Chicago *InterOcean*, one of the leading Republican papers of the west, thus denounces it:

"Many leading republicans understand these facts and are resolved to prevent any attempt to deliver the goods in the case. If the bill should by any chance get through the Senate, there are in the House many Republicans celebrated for party loyalty—yes, even for party servility—who stand ready to lead a party insurrection against it and to assist in voting it down.

"The people desire any proper law which will build up our mercantile marine. But the present subsidy bill is not of such a law. Its source is bad, its terms are bad, and some of the methods adopted to promote it are, at least, questionable.

"The auspices under which the bill was introduced made it unpopular in the middle West from the outset. No prominent Republican newspaper hereabouts has been able to defend it. Among the people at large it has been by a handful of friends. Why not let it die?"

This sizes up the Hanna scheme about right, and about as the majority of the intelligent people who are not some way interested in the proposed steal consider it. In all the Presidential campaign Hanna, or any of the rest of them never made any allusion to this contemplated grab, for they did not want that to become an issue, so they played mum on it. When they had carried the election they assumed that it meant not only an endorsement of everything the Republican administration had done but of everything it might propose to do. This is one of the arguments that Hanna offers in defence of that scheme, that it was endorsed by the votes cast for McKinley, when it was never as much as mentioned in any of their campaign speeches, or in any of the campaign literature distributed.

It is a fraud in every sense, a fraud on the people by springing it on them under the pretence that it was endorsed by them, and a fraud because it is claimed to be for the benefit of our commerce, whereas it is simply for the benefit of ship-owning companies, and ship builders, and also of the great steel combine, which will furnish the bulk of the material for ship building. It is a fraud all through, from beginning to end.

A New York woman who has been investigating the bibulous habits of the women who lunch at the nobby restaurants, found that about three-fourths of them drink some kind of liquor and most of them take "whiskey in their'n."

### A Night of Terror.

"Awful anxiety was felt for the widow of the brave General Burnham, of Machias, Me., when the doctors said she could not live till morning," writes Mrs. S. H. Lincoln, who attended her that fearful night. "All thought she must soon die from Pneumonia, but she begged for Dr. King's New Discovery, saying it had more than once saved her life, and had cured her of Consumption. After three small doses she slept easily all night, and its further use completely cured her." This marvellous medicine is guaranteed to cure all Throat, Chest and Lung Diseases. Only 50c. and $1 00. Trial bottles 10c. at R. R. BELLAMY'S drug store. †

### For Over Fifty Years

MRS. WINSLOW'S SOOTHING SYRUP has been used for over fifty years by millions of mothers for their children while teething with perfect success. It soothes the child, softens the gums, and allays all pain; cures wind colic, and is the best remedy for diarrhœa. It will relieve the poor little sufferer immediately. Sold by druggists in every part of the world. Twenty five cents a bottle. Be sure and ask for "Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup," and take no other kind.


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## HE KNEW WHAT HE WAS ABOUT.

Among the advertisements conspicuous in some of the negro papers published in this country are decoctions for taking the kinks out of the negro's hair, for bleaching the skin, for removing objectionable odors, &c. As there are a good many of the colored brethren who desire all these things and think they would be greatly improved thereby, the manipulators of these decoctions have been doing a somewhat lively business, so much so as to have attracted the attention of some of the colored church bodies, which think it is about time to do some talking on that subject. It came up at a colored Methodist conference in Louisiana recently, when Bishop Smith expressed his views in the following robust style:

"God knew what He was about when He made you, and if He wanted you to have hair like white folks, He would have made it so; and if He wanted your skin to be like that of white folks, He would have bleached it Himself. You need not attempt to improve on your architecture. God made you and you must work out your future in this country, as He made you. Build up character, be true to yourself. You will not be able to get away from your race. Use soap, water and towels. The negro who believes that any of these quack medicines or that anything else but soap and water will keep down bad odors, is guilty of an absurd mistake, as he will find out later. Keep your character white. Improve on it, and you will do your whole duty.'"

There isn't any foolishness about Bishop Smith, who realizes that the true and only way for the negro to improve himself is to build up character, and that a "white character" is in every way preferable to a bleached skin, even if that could be bleached to whiteness and be made to stick, for it would be an unimproved darkey after all under the artificially bleached skin.

## THEY WILL BE ALL ON IT.

More than a generation after the close of the war between the States there are nearly a million names on the pension roll and the sum paid pensioners foots up over $145,000,000. This sum will be increased instead of diminished, for the pensions from the Spanish war and the war in the Philippines will add to the names on the rolls and millions to the pensions. It is safe to assume that the bulk of the men who serve in the Philippines will go upon the pension rolls, for the climate there is a regular health wrecker.

It is said that there are ten thousand of the army of occupation now on the sick list and that very few who are attacked by disease entirely recover. They easily fall a prey to a second attack of the same disease or some other and never fully recover their strength. Of course every man who is invalided or suffers in any other way will become a pensioner, and unless there be a change in the pension methods a great many will go on who were fortunate enough to escape disease or other injury. What all this is going to amount to no one can tell, for we have entered upon a military enterprise over there the end of which no man can see.

Mr. Aulphin, of Mount Olive, claims to have discovered a process for preserving fruits and vegetables, which will keep them in a natural condition as long as they remain in the water. The fruit, &c., is first fumigated and then put in the water, which has previously been freed from all germ life. That's all. A bushel of peaches may be preserved for about three cents and in about four minutes. He will patent his process.

An exchange remarks that McKinley is taking a long time to write his inaugural. He might condense it into, "Here we are again, Hanna and I."

## SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

— Kinston *Free Press*: Daniel G. Wright, of Gibson, has filed a petition in voluntary bankruptcy. The liabilities are $3,368.41, with assets less than $1,000

— Mount Olive *Advertiser*: Ten million quarts is a conservative estimate of the strawberry crop of this State in 1901. From present indications Mount Olive will lead all other points in shipments by even a greater quantity than in years past.

— Chadbourn *Messenger*: From all sections fertilizer sales are reported large. The high prices received for cotton the past season will cause the acreage to be largely increased this year, and most of the fertilizers now being bought by farmers will be used for this crop.

— Danbury *Reporter*: Last Saturday Ray Martin and Frank Young, two of our most adventurous young huntsmen, while searching for game on Flatshoal mountain, found a tree full of flying squirrels. The animals flew in every direction through the woods, but Ray and Frank succeeded in bringing down one each which they had on exhibition on the streets later.

— Fayetteville *Observer*: The little 4-year old child of George Farmer, a negro man living just this side of Captain McPherson's, in 71st, was burned to death Monday. The child had been left alone in the house, and when the parents returned they found only a charred mass in the semblance of a human body. This is the fourth case of this kind that has come to our notice this winter as happening in Cumberland, and it is fair to presume that several other like cases have not been reported.

— Salisbury *Sun*: Miss Fannie Lyerly, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Lyerly, dropped dead Thursday afternoon at her father's home near Rockwell. Miss Lyerly had recently suffered a severe attack of the grip, but was convrlescent and was sitting before the fire yesterday afternoon when she remarked to her mother that she was feeling worse and would go to bed. She arose from her chair and started toward the bed when she fell and in an instant expired.

Baby's Future.

The fond mother dreams great dreams of baby's future as she holds the sleeping little one in her arms. But the dreams will never come true unless she has given him a strong body and a healthy mind. Children die in hosts, or live to struggle through life feeble of body and dull of mind because the mother was unfit physically and mentally for motherhood. Women who use Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription endow their children with strong bodies and bright minds. It is every mother's duty to give her child the advantages of a healthy body and mind. A weak or sickly woman cannot do this. "Favorite Prescription" makes weak women strong and sick women well.

Mrs. Orrin Stiles, of Downing, Dunn Co., Wis., writes: "I have been intending to write to you ever since my baby was born in regard to what your 'Favorite Prescription' has done for me. I cannot praise it enough, for I have not been as well for five years as I now am. In July last I had a baby boy, weight 11 pounds, and I was only sick a short time, and since I got up have not had one sick day. I have not had any womb trouble since I got up. I was not only surprised myself but all of my friends here are surprised to see me so well."

Dr. Pierce's Pellets cure biliousness.


## SUNDAY SELECTIONS.

— A pure heart is never far away from God.

— The best teacher one can have is necessity.—*La None.*

— The modesty of true worth is only equalled by the worth of true modesty.

—Only actions give life strength; only moderation gives it charm.—*Richter.*

— Clocks will go as set; but man, irregular man, is never constant, never certain.—*Otway*

— The heart that is soonest awake to the flowers is always the first to be touched by the thorns —*Moore.*

— It is important that you do as much work as possible, but it is more important that you do it thoroughly unto the Lord.

— A true lover of God loveth Him alike in having and in not having, in sweetness and in bitterness, in good or evil report.

— When a man has been guilty of any vice or folly, the best atonement he can make for it is to warn others not to fall into the like.—*Addison*

— Let yourselves never think that you grow liberal in faith by believing less; always be sure that the true liberality of faith can only come by believing more.—*Phillips Brooks*

— All the possible charities of life ought to be cultivated, and when we can neither be brethren nor friends let us be kind neighbors and pleasant acquaintances.—*Edmund Burke.*

## TWINKLINGS.

— He—what do you think a good name for a girl is? She—Any good man's.—*Syracuse Herald.*

— Foreign serf—"Your society is not clean.' American freeman—'No; it hasn't raised for some time."—*New York Weekly.*

— This is the latest conundrum in the Senate cloak rooms: "Why does Oom Paul wear rubber?" "To keep De Wet from defeat."—*Washington Post*

—Little Harry—"Why haven't we ever had a lady President, papa?" Papa—"Because, Harry, a man-made law makes it imperative that the President be more than thirty-six years old."—Judge.

— Boothgirl—"Take a chance and help the poor orphans!" Stage—"No, I am not buying to night. I am merely an observer." Boothgirl—"Ah, a close observer."—*Philadelphia North American.*

—Johnny—"Doesn't Uncle Henry like plum pudding?" Mamma—"Yes; but the doctor won't let him eat it." Johnny—"If was as big as him I'd like to see any doctor keep me from eating it!"—*Puck.*

— The Power of Habit: "Darling," she said, "do you love me as much as ever?" "Yes, dearie," said he, with his nose buried in his newspaper. That ought to have satisfied her, but she had to ask "Why?" "Oh, I donno. Habit, I suppose." — *Tit Bits.*

## CURRENT COMMENT.

—— Speaking of the G. A. R., a contemporary says that "within four or five years one half of the 400,000 members in 1890 will have passed from the rolls of the living." But not from the rolls of the pensioners.—*Louisville Courier-Journal, Dem.*

—— The countries of Europe are in a good position to laugh at our criticisms of their "militarism," while we are carrying upon our shoulders a burden twice as heavy as any one of them bears and are paying ten times as much per soldier as they pay.—*Savannah News, Dem.*

—— Secretary Gage has imposed a duty of a cent a pound on Russian sugar at the command of the Sugar Trust. Secretary Gage is a great financier—one of the very greatest that ever did what he was ordered to do and asked no questions.—*Norfolk Virginian-Pilot. Dem.*

—— "Ship subsidy is dead," gleefully cry the enemies of jobbery and profligacy in Congress. Not so—not so. In the next Congress, with its heavy Republican majority in both branches, the Treasury looters will pick their flints and try again. It is the auriferous era of unlimited swag, and shall they not have their share while the elephant goes around?—*Philadelphia Record, Dem.*

— Statesville *Landmark*: The *Landmark* learns that Mr. Howell Horne, a young man living near County Line, Davie county, was found dead in a branch near his home Tuesday night or early Wednesday morning. The circumstances of his death are peculiar and distressing. Young Horne was suffering from an attack of pneumonia and on Tuesday evening or night became unmanageable, it was supposed, from delirium, dressed himself and left the house, those present being unable to restrain him. Later, as stated, he was found dead in a small stream near his home.

## "SLEEP WELL."

EUGENE FIELD

I hear thy voice, dear Lord;
I hear it by the stormy sea.
When winter nights are black and wild,
And when, affright, I call to thee;
It calms my fears and whispers me,
"Sleep well, my child."

I hear thy voice, dear Lord,
In singing winds, in falling snow,
The curfew chimes, the midnight bell;
"Sleep well, my child," it murmurs low;
"The guardian angels come and go,
O child, sleep well."

I hear thy voice, dear Lord,
Aye, though the singing winds be stilled;
Though hushed the tumult of the deep,
My fainting heart with anguish chilled
By thy assuring tone is thrilled—
"Fear not, and sleep."

Speak on—speak on, dear Lord!
And when the last dread night is near,
With doubts and fears and terrors wild,
O let my soul, expiring, hear
Only these words of heavenly cheer,
"Sleep well, my child."

## SUNDAY SERVICES.

Christian Science service at the Masonic Temple, room 10, this morning at 11:15 o'clock. Subject of Bible Lesson. "Mind."

First Baptist Church, Rev. Calvin S. Blackwell, D. D. pastor: 11 A. M., "Soul Struggles:" 7:45 P. M., "The Religion of the Wedding Ring."

In St. James' Church on Sunday, morning service and sermon at 11 o'clock; Sunday school 3.45 o'clock; evening prayer 5 o'clock.

St. Matthews English Lutheran church, North Fourth street, above Bladen, Rev. G. D. Bernheim pastor. Morning service only at 11 o'clock; Sunday school at 9:45 a m. All seats free and every person welcome.

St Paul's Lutheran Church, Sixth and Market streets, Rev. A. G. Voigt pastor. English services to day at 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. Installation of church council at the morning service. Sunday School at 3 30 P. M.

### Thoreau's Mother's Ghost.

"Besides Thoreau and his mother, the house (at Concord) has had for its occupants A. Bronson Alcott and family, including his distinguished daughter, Louisa M., the author," writes Samuel S. Kingdon in The Ladies' Home Journal. "To them sometimes came the ghost of Mme. Thoreau. Those who know Mme. Thoreau and her habits confirm the description given by a servant, who left the house because of the visitation, in every detail; her tall, gaunt figure, her big, white cap, her stealthy step, her quiet comings, her noiseless goings.

"When seen, she invariably stood in the doorway, her great cap well adjusted, her neat handkerchief, half unfolded, tucked securely into the waistband of her full dress skirt—pausing a moment on the threshold, looking anxiously about, then stooping and running her finger along the edge of the mopboard, to see if perchance a speck of dust had found lodgment there. Proceeding to the workroom, she glanced in, then glided to the fireplace, stooping over it and motioning with her hands as if in the act of covering the coals with ashes.

"In life, it should be said, the two prominent characteristics of Mme. Thoreau were an abhorrence of dust and a dread of fire. Satisfied on these points, the spirit would disappear. Unlike other ghosts, this one always appeared in the daytime."

### Anxious to Do His Best.

It was a mean trick, but, then, that is the kind that's usually successful.

"That dog," said the owner, "will bring me anything I send him for, and I am willing to bet on it."

Straightway a bet was arranged, and then the manager of the billiard hall suggested that he would like to have the pool table brought to him.

"Certainly," answered the owner of the dog, and he pointed to the table and said, "Fetch it!"

The dog raced around it once or twice and then grabbed a pocket and tore it off.

"Hold on!" cried the billiard man. "He'll ruin the table."

"Of course," answered the owner of the dog, "but if you give him time he'll get it all over here. You didn't suppose he could bring it in one trip, did you?"

But the billiard man paid the bet.—Chicago Post.

### Cold Steel or Death.

"There is but one small chance to save your life and that is through an operation," was the awful prospect set before Mrs. I B. Hunt, of Lime Ridge, Wis., by her doctor after vainly trying to cure her of a frightful case of stomach trouble and yellow jaundice. He didn't count on the marvellous power of Electric Bitters to cure Stomach and Liver troubles, but she heard of it, took seven bottles, was wholly cured, avoided the surgeon's knife, now weighs more and feels better than ever. It's positively guaranteed to cure Stomach, Liver and Kidney troubles and never disappoints. Price 50c. at R. R. BELLAMY'S drug store.

## MARINE DIRECTORY.

List of Vessels in the Port of Wilmington, N. C., Feb. 15, 1901.

SCHOONERS.

Laguna, 328 tons, Bayles, George Harriss, Son & Co.
Edgar C Ross, 380 tons, Quilan, George Harriss, Son & Co.
Helen Shafner, (Br), 180 tons, Chute, George Harriss, Son & Co.
J Howell Leeds, 152 tons, Bateman, George Harriss, Son & Co.
Mary T Quinby, 1,047 tons, Ayre, R W Hicks.
C C Wehrum, 375 tons, Cavalier, George Harriss, Son & Co.
Jno I Snow, 152 tons, Ott, George Harriss, Son & Co.
Lillie, (Br) 311 tons, Davis, George Harriss, Son & Co.

STEAMSHIPS.

Oaklands, (Br) 1,252 tons, Granger, Alexander Sprunt & Son.
Dora, (Br) 1,105 tons, Goulding, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

BARQUES.

Albatros, (Nor) 491 tons, Rasmussen. Heide & Co.
Bertha, (Swd) 487 tons, Peterson, Heide & Co.
Chas Loring (Am) 525 tons, George Harriss, Son & Co.

BRIGS.

M C Haskell, 299 tons, Wingfield, George Harriss, Son & Co.

BARGE.

Carrie L Tyler, 610 tons, Bonneau, Virginia-Carolina Chemical Company.


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# WOMEN FEAR LA GRIPPE AND CATARRH.

## Pe-ru-na a Reliable Protection.

MRS. THEOPHILE SCHMITT.

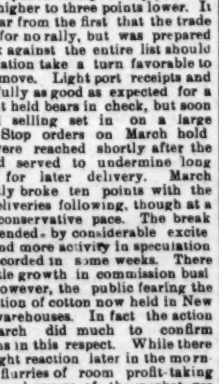
Mrs. Theophile Schmitt, wife of the Ex-Secretary of the German consulate, writes the following letter to Dr. Hartman, from 3417 Wabash Ave., Chicago, Ill. Mrs. Schmitt says: "I suffered this winter with a severe attack of la grippe, and having repeatedly heard of the value of Pe-ru-na in such cases I thought I would try it. I used it faithfully and began to feel a change for the better the second day, and in the course of a week I was very much improved. After using three bottles I not only found that the grippe had disappeared, but my general health was much better. I am satisfied that Pe-ru-na is a wonderful family remedy and gladly endorse it. Yours, Mrs. Theophile Schmitt."

Mrs. M. E. Wheeler, Rockford, Tenn., writes: "I am very glad to write you that I am in every way cured of catarrh with which I have been troubled for ten years or more. I feel very grateful to you for curing my catarrh, as it was a very stubborn case. I have felt no symptoms of the catarrh for over a year. If you think this letter will be of any use to suffering humanity you may use it."

Mrs. M. E. Wheeler.

La grippe is acute, epidemic catarrh. There is no remedy in the world that meets this form of catarrh as thoroughly as Pe-ru-na. During the first stages of la grippe Pe-ru-na is an unfailing remedy. People who have had la grippe and have partly recovered, but remain half sick, will find Pe-ru-na exactly suited to their case. There is no remedy devised that will so quickly and thoroughly dispel the disagreeable and serious after-effects of la grippe as Pe-ru-na.

The leading actors and actresses of this country have come to regard Pe-ru-na as indispensable to their success.



Mlle. Jane Delorme, the famous chantcuse from the Folies Bergere, Paris, says: "Pe-ru-na forever, say I.

"I have tried many so-called cures for various catarrhal affections, but none afforded the immense relief that Pe-ru-na has. Indeed it has effected a cure. Regard it as the most essential article on my toilet table."—Mlle. Jane Delorme, of New York City.

●All women praise Pe-ru-na after one trial. It is safe to say that no woman ever took one bottle of Pe-ru-na who did not become a life long advocate of this remarkable remedy. Never was a medicine devised of so much value to women. A book, "Winter Catarrh," sent free by Dr. Hartman, Columbus, O.


## COMMERCIAL.

### WILMINGTON MARKET.

[Quoted officially at the closing by the Produce Exchange.]

STAR OFFICE, February 16.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Nothing doing.

ROSIN—Nothing doing.

TAR—Market steady at $1.15 per bbl of 280 lbs.

CRUDE TURPENTINE.—Market quiet at $1.30 per barrel for hard $2.30 for dip and —— for virgin.

Quotations same day last year.—Spirits turpentine firm at 54@53½c; rosin firm at $1 40@1 45; tar firm at $1 30; crude turpentine firm at $2.00 @$3.25.

RECEIPTS.

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| Spirits turpentine | 36 |
| Rosin | 109 |
| Tar | 714 |
| Crude turpentine | 7 |

Receipts same day last year—17 casks spirits turpentine, 328 bbls rosin, 533 bbls tar, 39 bbls crude turpentine.

COTTON.

Market firm on a basis of 9c per pound for middling. Quotations:

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| Ordinary | 6 9 16 | cts. ₱ lb |
| Good ordinary | 7 15 16 | " " |
| Low middling | 8 9 16 | " " |
| Middling | 9 | " " |
| Good middling | 9 5-16 | " " |

Same day last year middling firm at 8¼c.

Receipts—536 bales; same day last year, 1,032.

[Corrected Regularly by Wilmington Produce Commission Merchants.]

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

PEANUTS — North Carolina — Prime 70c. Extra prime, 75c per bushel of 28 pounds; fancy, 80c. Virginia—Prime, 50c; extra prime, 55c; fancy, 60c; Spanish 75c.

CORN—Firm: 58 to 60c per bushel for white.

N. C. BACON—Steady; hams 13 to 15c per pound; shoulders, 8 to 10c; sides, 8 to 10c.

EGGS—Firm at 14c per dozen.

CHICKENS—Dull. Grown, 12½@25c; springs, 10@17c.

TURKEYS—Live, dull at 8 to 8½c; dressed, 10 to 11c.

BEESWAX—Firm at 25c.

TALLOW—Firm at 5½@6½c per pound

SWEET POTATOES—Firm at 55c.

## FINANCIAL MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Feb. 16.—Money on call was quoted nominal. Prime mercantile paper 3½@4½ per ct. Sterling exchange weak, nominal; actual business in bankers' bills at 487½ for demand and 484½ for sixty days. Posted rates 485@485½ and 488½@489. Commercial bills 483½@484. Silver certificates 62@63. Bar silver 61½. Mexican dollars 47¾. Government bonds steady. State bonds inactive. Railroad bonds steady. U. S. refunding 2's reg'd, 105½; U. S. refund'g 2's, coupon, 105½. U.S. 3's, reg'd, —; U.S. 3's, reg'd, 110¾; do. coupon, 110¾; U. S. 4's, new reg'd, 137½; do. coupon, 137½; U. S. 4's, old reg'd, 113½; do. coupon, 113½; U. S. 5's, reg'd, 110¾; do. coupon, 110¾; Southern R'y 5's 115¼. Stocks: Baltimore & Ohio 91½; Chesapeake & Ohio 40¾; Manhattan L 117¼; N. Y. Central 145½; Reading 32¾; do. 1st pref'd 75¼; St. Paul, 150¼; do. pref'd, 190; Southern Railway 23, pref'd 74¾; American Tobacco, 117; do. pref'd 140; People's Gas 100½; Sugar 136¾; do. pref'd 130; T. C. & Iron 63¼; U. S. Leather 13¾; do. preferred 74¾; Western Union 88¾. Standard Oil 798@800.

BALTIMORE, February 16.—Seaboard Air Line, common, 14¼@14¼; do. preferred 31¼@31¼. Bonds—4's 73¼@73¾.

## NAVAL STORES MARKETS

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Feb. 16 —Rosin quiet Strained common to good $1 65. Spirits turpentine dull at 39¼@40c.

CHARLESTON, Feb. 16 —Spirits turpentine steady at 36½c; sales — casks Rosin firm and unchanged.

SAVANNAH, Feb. 16.—Spirits turpentine firm at 37c; sales 323 casks; receipts 147 casks; exports 1,923 casks. Rosin firm; E, F, and G 5c up; sales 1,251 barrels; receipts 3,981 barrels; exports 4,508 barrels.

## COTTON MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Feb. 16 —The cotton market opened barely steady and two points higher to three points lower. It was clear from the first that the trade looked for no rally, but was prepared to work against the entire list should the situation take a turn favorable to such a move. Light port receipts and cables fully as good as expected for a moment held bears in check, but soon general selling set in on a large scale. Stop orders on March holdings were reached shortly after the call and served to undermine long cotton for later delivery. March promptly broke ten points with the later deliveries following, though at a more conservative pace. The break was attended by considerable excitement and more activity in speculation than recorded in some weeks. There was little growth in commission business, however, the public fearing the liquidation of cotton now held in New York warehouses. In fact the action of March did much to confirm opinions in this respect. While there was slight reaction later in the morning on flurries of room profit-taking the general course of the market was downward. The market for futures closed steady with prices net unchanged to six points lower.

NEW YORK, Feb 16.—Cotton dull; middling uplands 9½c.

Cotton futures market closed steady: February 8 92, March 8 96, April 8.98, May 9.02, June 9 00, July 9.01, August 8 67, September 8.23, October 7.99, November 7 92, December 7-88.

Spot cotton closed dull and ½c lower: middling uplands 9½c; middling gulf 9¾c; sales — bales.

Net receipts 232 bales; gross receipts 232 bales; stock 143 967 bales.

Total to-day—Net receipts 18,305 bales; exports to Great Britain 300 bales; exports to the Continent 34,380 bales; stock 894,736 bales.

Consolidated—Net receipts 18 305 bales; exports to Great Britain 300 bales; exports to the Continent 34,380 bales.

Total since September 1st.—Net receipts 5,620 123 bales; exports to Great Britain 2,098 408 bales; exports to France 490 020 bales; exports to the Continent 1,577,083 bales.

February 16.—Galveston, quiet at 9¼c, net receipts 5,569 bales; Norfolk, quiet at 9¼c, net receipts 811 bales; Baltimore, nominal at 9¼c, net receipts — bales; Boston, dull at 9¼c net receipts 1,993 bales; Wilmington, firm at 9¼c, net receipts 536 bales; Philadelphia dull at 9¾c, net receipts 75 bales; Savannah, easy at 9 3 16c, net receipts 3,317 bales; New Orleans, quiet at 9¼c, net receipts 5,016 bales; Mobile, quiet at 9c, net receipts 45 bales; Memphis, quiet at 9¾, net receipts 1,406 bales; Augusta, quiet at 9 3 16c, net receipts 453 bales; Charleston, quiet at 9 1 16, net receipts 814 bales.

## PRODUCE MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, February 16.—Flour was unsettled and quiet with traders 10@20c apart on some grades: Minnesota patents $4 10@4 30; winter patents $3 65@4 00. Wheat—Spot dull; No. 2 red 80¾c f. o. b. afloat; options opened easy on account of disappointing cables, heavy Australian exports, prospects of bearish weekly statistics on Monday and scattered unloading. Finally rallied a little with corn and market closed steady and unchanged. Sales included: No. 2 red March closed 48¾c; May closed 80c; July closed 79¾c. Corn—Spot firm; No. 2 48¾c at elevator; options opened easy with wheat, on cable news, but at once rallied on response to local covering, warmer conditions West, and prospects of small receipts. Closed firm at ½@¾c net advance: February closed —c; March closed 48¾c; May closed 48¾c; July closed 45¾c. Oats—Spot quiet; No. 2 30¾c; options quiet but firmer. Lard steady; Western steam $7 80; refined steady; continent $7 90; South American $8 75; compound 5½@5¾c. Pork quiet; family $15 00@15 50; short clear $14 75@16 50; mess $13 75@14 50. Butter firm; fresh creamery 16@23c; State dairy 13@21c. Cheese was quoted firm; fancy large, fall made 11¾@11¾; small fancy, fall made 11¾@12c. Potatoes—Market steady; Jersey $1 25@1 75; New York $1 50@1 75; Long Island $1 50@1 87½; Jersey sweets $1 75@2 50. Petroleum quiet; refined New York $7 80; Philadelphia and Baltimore $7 75; do. in bulk $3 20. Rice steady; domestic, fair to extra 3½@6¼c; Japan 4¾@4¾c. Eggs were easy; State and Pennsylvania at mark 17@17½c, Southern at mark 16@16½. Cabbage steady; Long Island, per 100, $3 00@4 00. Peanuts quiet; fancy hand-picked 4¾@5c; other domestic, 3c. Freights to Liverpool—Cotton by steam 14c. Cotton seed oil was quiet and about steady, without quotable change: Prime crude, in barrels, 27c, nominal; prime summer yellow 29¾@29¾c; off summer yellow 29¾c, prime white 34@35c; prime winter yellow 35¾@36, prime meal $25. Coffee—Spot Rio quiet; No. 7 invoice 7½c; mild quiet; Cordova 8@12¾c. Sugar—Market steady for raw; fair refining 3¾c; centrifugal, 96 test 4¾c; molasses sugar 3¾c; refined quiet; standard A $5 30; confectioners' A $5 30; cut loaf $6 00; crushed $6 00; powdered $5 60; granulated $5 50; cubes $5 75; mould A $5 85.

CHICAGO, Feb. 16.—Corn was again the leading deal on the Board of Trade to-day, May breaking the option's high priced record and closing with a net gain of ¾@¾c. Wheat was dull and narrow an closed unchanged. Oats closed ¾@¾c higher and provisions 2½@5c higher.

CHICAGO, Feb. 16.—Cash quotations: Flour quiet; winter patents $3 60@3 80; winter straights $3 20@3 60, winter clears $3 70@3 80; spring specials $4 20@4 30; do. patents $3 50@3 70, baker's $3 20@3 50; straights $3 00@3 30. Wheat—No. 2 spring —c; No 3 spring 66@72c; No. 2 red 74¾@76c. Corn—No. 2, 39@39¼c. Oats—No 2 35¼@35¾c; No. 3 white 28@29c; No. 3 white 27@28c. Pork, per barrel, $13 90@13 95. Lard, per 100 lbs. $7 42½@7 45 Short rib sides, loose, $7 00@7 20. Dry salted shoulders, $6 25@6 50. Short clear sides, boxed $7 35@7 75. Whiskey—Distillers' finished goods, per gallon $1 27

The leading futures ranged as follows—opening, highest, lowest and closing: Wheat—No 2 February 73¾, 73¾, 73¾, 73¾@73¾c; March 73¾, 74¼ 73¾, 74; May 73¾@73¾, 75¼@75¾, 75¼, 75¾c. Corn—February 39, 39¾, 39¼, 39¼c; May 40¼@40¾, 41¾, 40¾, 41¾@41¾c Oats—February 24¾, 24¾, 24¾, 24¾c; May 25¾, 25¾, 25¾, 25¾. Pork per bbl—February $13 95; May $14 12½, 14 20, 14 07½, 14 15. Lard, per 100 lbs—March $7 45; May $7 58, 7 55, 7 50, $7 52½; July $7 57½, 7 57½, 7 55, 7 55 Short ribs, per 100 lbs—February $7 12½, 7 12¼ 7 07½, 7 10; September $7 25, 7 25, 7 20, 7 22½.

## FOREIGN MARKET.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LIVERPOOL, February 16, 1 P. M.—Cotton—Spot quiet, prices 1 16d lower; American middling fair, 5¾c good middling 5 15-32d; middling 5 11 32d; low middling 5 5 32d; good ordinary 4 29 32d; ordinary 4 21 32d. The sales of the day were 6,000 bales, of which 500 bales were for speculation and export and included 5,700 bales American. Receipts 4 000 bales, including 1,300 bales American.

Futures opened and closed quiet; American middling (l. m. c.) February 5 16 64@5 17 64d buyer; February and March 5 13 64@5 13 64d buyer; March and April 5 11 64d value; April and May 5 9 64@5 10 64d seller; May and June 5 8 64d seller; June and July 5 6 64d seller; July and August 5 3 64@5 4-64d seller; August and September 4 55 64d buyer; October (g. o. c) 4 35-64d buyer; October and November (g. o. c.) 4 36 64d buyer.

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"No rent again this month! This is the third time it has happened within the half year. I'll go there myself and get the money, or I'll know the reason why."

Matthew Deane was in particularly bad humor this raw December morning. Everything had gone wrong. Stocks had fallen when they ought to have risen, his clerk had tipped over the inkstand on his special and peculiar heap of paper, the fire obstinately refused to burn in the grate—in short, nothing went right, and Mr. Deane was consequently and correspondingly cross.

"Jenkins!"

"Yes, sir."

"Go to the Widow Clarkson and tell her I shall be there in half an hour and expect confidently—mind, Jenkins, confidently—to receive that rent money, or else I shall feel myself obliged to resort to extreme measures. You understand, Jenkins?"

"Certainly, sir."

"Then don't stand there staring like an idiot!" snarled Mr. Deane in a sudden burst of irritation, and Jenkins disappeared like a shot.

Just half an hour afterward Matthew Deane brushed the brown hair just sprinkled with gray from his square yet not unkindly brow. Putting on his fur lined overcoat, he walked forth into the chilly winter air fully determined figuratively to annihilate the defaulting Widow Clarkson.

It was a dwarfish little red brick house, which appeared originally to have aspired to two storyhood lot, but, cramped by circumstances, had settled down into a story and a half, but the windows shone like Brazilian pebbles, and the doorsteps were worn by much scouring. Neither of these circumstances, however, did Mr. Deane remark as he pulled the glittering brass doorknob and strode into Mrs. Clarkson's neat parlor.

There was a small fire—very small, as if every lump of anthracite was hoarded in the stove—and at a table, with writing implements before her, sat a young lady whom Mr. Deane at once recognized as Mrs. Clarkson's niece, Miss Olive Mellen. She was not disagreeable to look upon, though you would never have thought of classing her among the beauties, with shining black hair, blue, long lashed eyes and a very pretty mouth, hiding teeth like rice kernels, so white were they.

Miss Mellen rose with a polite nod, which was grimly reciprocated by Mr. Deane.

"I have called to see your aunt, Miss Mellen."

"I know it, sir, but as I am aware of her timid temperament I sent her away. I prefer to deal with you myself."

Mr. Deane started. The cool audacity of this damsel in gray, with scarlet ribbons in her hair, rather astonished him.

"I suppose the money is ready?"

"No, sir; it is not."

"Then, Miss Olive—pardon me—I must speak plainly, I shall send an officer here this afternoon to put a valuation on the furniture and"—

"You will do nothing of the kind, sir!"

Olive's cheeks had reddened, and her eyes flashed portentously. Mr. Deane turned toward the door, but ere he knew what she was doing Olive had walked quietly across the room, locked the door and taken out the key. Then she resumed her seat.

"What does this mean?" ejaculated the astonished "prisoner of war."

"It means, sir, that you will now be obliged to reconsider the question," said Olive.

"Obliged?"

"Yes. You will hardly jump out of the window, and there is no other method of egress, unless you choose to go up the chimney. Now, then, Mr. Deane, will you tell me if you, a Christian man in the nineteenth century, intend to sell a poor widow's furniture because she is not able to pay your rent? Listen, sir!"

Mr. Deane had opened his mouth to remonstrate, but Olive enforced her words with a very emphatic little stamp of the foot, and he was, as it were, stricken dumb.

"You are what the world calls a rich man, Mr. Deane. You own rows of houses, piles of bank stock, railroad shares, bonds and mortgages—who knows what? My aunt has nothing. I support her by copying. Now, if this case be carried into a court of law, my poor ailing aunt will be a sufferer. You would emerge unscathed and profiting. You are not a bad man, Mr. Deane; you have a great many noble qualities, and I like you for them." She paused an instant and looked intently and gravely at Mr. Deane. The color rose to his cheek. It was not disagreeable to be told by a pretty young girl that she liked him, on any terms, yet she had indulged in pretty plain speaking. "I have heard," she went on, "of your doing kind actions when you were in the humor for it. You can do them and you shall in this instance. You are cross this morning, you know you are! Hush, no excuse! You are selfish and irritable and overbearing! If I were your mother, and you a little boy, I should certainly put you in a corner until you promised to be good."

Mr. Deane smiled, although he was getting angry. Olive went on with the utmost composure:

"But as it is, I shall only keep you here a prisoner until you have behaved and given me your word not to annoy my aunt again for rent until she is able to pay you. Then, and not until then, will you receive your money. Do you promise? Yes or no?"

"I certainly shall agree to no such terms," said Mr. Deane tartly.

"Very well, sir; I can wait."

Miss Mellen deposited the key in the pocket of her gray dress and sat down to her copying. Had she been a man Mr. Deane would probably have knocked her down; as it was, she wore an invisible armor of power in the very fact that she was a fragile, slight woman, and she knew it.

"Miss Olive," he said sternly, "let us terminate this mummery. Unlock that door!"

"Mr. Deane, I will not!"

"I shall shout and alarm the neighborhood then or call a policeman."

"Very well, Mr. Deane. Do so if you please."

She dipped her pen in the ink and began on a fresh page. Matthew sat down, puzzled and discomfited, and watched the long lashed eyes and faintly tinted cheeks of his keeper. She was very pretty. What a pity she was so obstinate!

"Miss Olive!"

"Sir?"

"The clock has just struck 12."

"I heard it."

"I should like to go out to get some lunch."

"I am sorry that that luxury is out of your power."

"But I'm confounded hungry."

"Are you?"

"And I'm not going to stand this sort of thing any longer."

"No?"

How provokingly nonchalant she was! Mr. Deane eyed the pocket of the gray dress greedily and walked up and down the room pettishly.

"I have an appointment at 1."

"Indeed! What a pity you will be unable to keep it!"

He took another turn across the room. Olive looked up with a smile.

"Well, are you ready to promise?"

"Hang it, yes! What else can I do?"

"You promise?"

"I do, because I can't help myself."

Olive drew the key from her pocket, with softened eyes.

"You have made me very happy, Mr. Deane. I dare say you think me unwomanly and unfeminine, but indeed you do not know to what extremities we are driven by poverty. Good morning, sir."

Mr. Deane sallied forth with a curious complication of thoughts and emotions struggling through his brain, in which gray dresses, long lashed blue eyes and scarlet ribbons played a prominent part.

"Did you get the money, sir?" asked the clerk when he walked into the office.

"Mind your business, sir," was the tart response.

"I pity her husband," thought Mr. Deane as he turned the papers over on his desk. "How she will henpeck him! By the way, I wonder who her husband will be?"

The next day he called at the Widow Clarkson's to assure Miss Mellen that he had no idea of breaking his promise, and the next but one after that he came to tell the young lady she need entertain no doubt of his integrity, and the next week he dropped in on them with no particular errand to serve as an excuse!

"When shall we be married, Olive? Next month, dearest? Do not let us put it off later."

"I have no wishes but yours, Matthew."

"Really, Miss Olive Mellen, to hear that meek tone one would suppose you had never locked me up here and tyrannized over me as a jailer."

Olive burst into a merry laugh.

"You dear old Matthew! I give you warning beforehand that I mean to have my own way in everything. Do you wish to recede from your bargain? It is not too late yet."

No, Matthew Deane didn't. He had a vague idea that it would be very pleasant to be henpecked by Olive!—Chicago Times-Herald.

### The Senate's Hole In the Wall.

When the nineteenth century was as yet only half grown, senators applied customarily for their toddies at the so called Hole In the Wall, a small circular room just off the postoffice of the upper house. The latter body, as will be remembered, then occupied what is now the chamber of the supreme court, and the postoffice was across the main corridor of the building on the same floor. When a wearer of the toga found himself in need of a "shifter," he had only to cross over to the mails department and pass through it to the little circular room aforesaid, which was about the size of a pantry.

The Hole In the Wall was the first senate restaurant, and the bill of fare for edibles was short, though to the point. There were ham, guaranteed to have been smoked for six months, a veritable sublimation of the pork product; likewise corned beef and bread and cheese, but very little else. They served, however, as an accompaniment for the fluids, and when the Hole was crowded, as was often the case, senators ate their sandwiches outside, in the postoffice.—Washington Post.

### He Obeyed.

Murat Halstead, the great journalist of wartimes, went to General William T. Sherman's headquarters once for the "latest news from the front." Halstead was armed with many fine introductory letters, but decided to rely mainly on one given him by Thomas Ewing, Sherman's brother-in-law. He found the general and presented Ewing's letter. The general opened it somewhat impatiently, read a few lines, folded it and said:

"Ah, you come from Ewing, and you desire to have 'all the latest news,' the 'next probable move' of our army, eh? Well, there's a train leaving this town for Cincinnati at 2 o'clock. Here, take this ticket, and step over there and get your dinner, and then get on that train."

"Well, but, General Sherman"—began the newspaper man. But Sherman waved him off.

"Go over and get a good dinner; we have plenty and always strive to treat our friends well. But be sure you don't miss that 2 o'clock train!" And Halstead wisely obeyed.

### Nearly a Precedent.

While there has never been an instance in which the president and the vice president chosen with him have both died in the course of the term for which they were chosen, this came very near happening in the term for which Harrison and Tyler were elected. When Tyler was serving as president after the death of Harrison, he had an extremely narrow escape from death by the explosion of the big gun Peacemaker on the steamer Princeton, Feb. 28, 1844, which killed two members of Tyler's cabinet—Secretary of State Abel P. Upshur and Secretary of the Navy Thomas W. Gilmer—and David Gardiner, the father of Tyler's second wife.

### Bridle and Bit.

The latest anecdote about the bishop of Winchester is told in the London Outlook. After a recent ecclesiastical function, as the clergy were trooping in to luncheon, one of the most unctuous observed, "Now to put a bridle on our appetites!"

"Now to put a bit between my teeth!" retorted the bishop.

### A Unique Introduction.

One day when calling upon Gambetta I found him vastly amused over a visit which he had received a few minutes previously from the late General Meredith Read, who for a number of years was United States envoy at Athens.

Then general, who until that time had been a perfect stranger to the great French statesman, had entered the latter's presence, carrying in his hand a volume entitled "Men of the Time," or some work of the kind. This he opened, without saying a word, and laid on Gambetta's desk before attempting to greet him or to explain the purpose of his call.

Then, pointing to a column which contained a very eulogistic biographical notice of himself, he exclaimed, "Kindly read that," and when Gambetta, who read English with the utmost facility, had, in compliance with the request, cast his eye over the page in question, General Read rose from his chair, and with a bow to Gambetta pointed to himself, exclaiming in tones of pardonable pride, "C'est moi."

Then, and not until then, did he extend his hand to the great tribune, who, having meanwhile risen from his chair, expressed his pleasure at making the acquaintance of so distinguished an officer, who had rendered such valuable services to the United States.

Gambetta informed me that in the whole of his long experience of public life he had never known a man to introduce himself in so delightfully original a manner.—Critic.

### "Ze Flaveur Del'eat."

At one of his famous little dinners a prominent professional man of Washington was greatly pleased with the salad, as were also his guests. Evidently it was partly meat and partly vegetable, but the flavor was new, distinct and undeterminable. This was so faint that one guest declared "It's not a taste at all, only a smell."

At length some one suggested that the chef be asked for the recipe, upon which the host remarked:

"My man greatly dislikes being asked for recipes. On this occasion, however, his vanity may overcome him if we tell how greatly we have enjoyed the dinner, and the salad in particular. At any rate, we'll see."

The Frenchman soon appeared, and was visibly affected, not to say elated, by the compliments.

"Eet gif me gret plaisir," he said, "to tell how I mak ze sal-lad. Eet ver' seemple. I haf ze laitue 'range ready; an I haf ze meat chop ver' fine an dry; ze celeri I haf chop ver' fine; an I haf ze pamme de terre, ze patate, an stan a leetle an dry; zen I mix zem up. Zen I mak' ze dresseeng mayonnaise; madame, she know, I haf all ver' col' ready as ze feesh ees serf. Zen as ze sal-lad ees to serf, I tak' une tete d'ail, pardonnez moi, one leetle cloaf of ze garlieck an neeble him in ze mouth, so, an breathe gentle, ver' gentle, on ze sal-lad. Zat gif eet ze flaveur del'eat."—What to Eat.

### Simple Questions.

The beginnings of a new primer have been made by one of our exchanges. The questions may be indefinitely continued by teacher and pupil.

"See the corn in the field. Can the corn walk?"

"No, the corn stalks."

"See the pretty cake. Does the cake stalk?"

"Never. But you should see a cake walk."

"I have a rope. Can the rope walk?"

"Yes, if it is taut."

"The hen is in the garden. Does the hen rise?"

"No, the hen sets."

"The mercury is in the tube. Will the mercury set?"

"No, my child. Wait until July and see."

### The New George.

Johnny was worried about Washington's greatness. He turned to his mother and said, "Washington's all right, but Grant's more like me."

"How is that?"

"Well" (throwing out a diminutive chest), "he could tell a lie when he had to."

"But, Johnny, you never tell lies, do you?"

"Why, mamma, you know I do. You always find me out."

A moment of silence.

"Mamma."

"Well, Johnny."

"When you were a little girl, didn't you ever tell a lie?"

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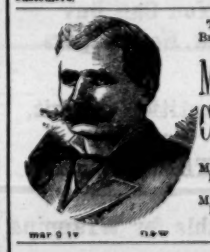

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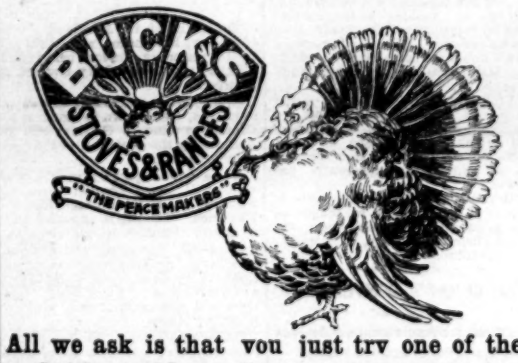


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DAILY except Sunday 4.13 P. M. No. 50—Passenger—Due Jacksonville 5.40 P. M., Newburn

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DAILY 3.45 P. M. No. 38—Passenger—Due Lake Waccamaw 4.58 P. M., Chadbourn 5.30 P. M., Marion 6.43 P. M., Florence 7.25 P. M., Sumter 9 12 P. M., Columbia 10.35 P. M., Denmark 3.55 A. M., Augusta 7.55 A. M., Macon 11.15 A. M., Atlanta 12.25 P. M., Charleston 10.55 P. M., Savannah 2.45 A. M., Jacksonville 8.30 A. M., St. Augustine 11.10 A. M., Tampa 6.45 P. M.

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DAILY 9.00 A. M. No. 53—Passenger—Due Fayetteville 12.05 P. M., leaves Fayetteville, 12.20 P. M., arrives Sanford 1.43 P. M.

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DAILY 6.00 P. M. No. 42—Passenger—Leave Boston †1.00 P. M., New York †2.25 P. M., Philadelphia 12.00 A. M., Baltimore 2.55 A. M., Washington 4.50 A. M., Richmond 9.05 A. M., Petersburg 9.42 A. M., Norfolk 5.00 A. M., Weldon 11.50 A. M., Tarboro 12.21 P. M. Rocky Mount 12.50 P. M., Wilson 2.40 P. M., Goldsboro 3.30 P. M., Warsaw 4.22 P. M., Magnolia 4.35 P. M.

DAILY 9.20 A. M. No. 41—Passenger—Leave Boston 12 night, New York 3.55 A. M., Philadelphia 11.33 A. M., Baltimore 1.46 P. M., Washington 3.12 P. M., Richmond 6.57 P. M., Petersburg 7.45 P. M., †Norfolk 4.30 P. M., Weldon 9.10 P. M., †Tarboro 6.00 P. M., Rocky Mount 8.15 A. M. Leave Wilson 5.57 A. M., Goldsboro 6.45 A. M., Warsaw 7.36 A. M., Magnolia 7.51 A. M.

DAILY except Sunday 2.15 P. M. No. 51—Passenger—Leave Newbern 9.00 A. M., Jacksonville 1.05 A. M.

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DAILY 1.25 P. M. No 54—Passenger—Leave Tampa 9.50 A. M., Sanford 2.20 P. M., Jacksonville 8.00 P. M., Savannah 1.30 A. M., Charleston 6.45 A. M., Atlanta 7.30 A. M. Macon 9.00 A. M., Augusta 2.20 P. M., Denmark 4.29 P. M. Columbia 6.40 A. M., Sumter 8.05 P. M., Florence 9.55 A. M., Marion 10.25 A. M., Chadbourn 11.41 A. M., Lake Waccamaw 12.12 P. M.

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DAILY 7.25 P. M. No. 52—Passenger—Leave Sanford 3.05 P. M. arrive Fayetteville 4.30 P. M., leave Fayetteville 4.50 P. M.

Bennettsville Branch—Train leaves Bennettsville 8.05 A. M. Maxton 9.05 A. M., Red Springs 9.51 A. M., Parkton 10.41 A. M., Hope Mills 10.55 A. M., arrive Fayetteville 11.10 A. M. Returning leaves Fayetteville 4.45 P. M., Hope Mills 5.00 P. M., Red Springs 5.43 P. M., Maxton 6.16 P. M., arrives Bennettsville 7.15 P. M.

Connections at Fayetteville with No. 78, at Maxton with the Carolina Central Railroad, at Red Springs with the Red Springs and Lumber Railroad, at Sanford with the Seaboard Air Line and Southern Railway, at Gulf with the Durham and Charlotte Railroad.

Train between Rocky Mount and Richmond leaves Rocky Mount 7.15 A. M., arrive Weldon 8.17 A. M., arrive Petersburg 10 18 A. M., arrives Richmond 11.10 A. M.

Trains on the Scotland Neck Branch Road leave Weldon 3.55 P. M., Halifax 4.17 P. M.; arrive Scotland Neck 5.08 P. M., Greenville 6.37 P. M., Kinston 7.53 P. M. Returning, leaves Kinston 7.50 A. M., Greenville 8.52 A. M.; arriving Halifax at 11.18 A. m., Weldon 11.33 A. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains on Washington Branch leave Washington 8.10 A. M. and 2.30 P. M.; arrive Parmele 9.10 A. M. and 4.00 P. M.; returning leave Parmele 9.35 A. M. and 5.30 P. M.; arrives Washington 11 00 A. M and 7.30 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Train leaves Tarboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 5.30 P. M.; Sunday, 4.15 P. M.; arrives Plymouth 7.40 P. M. and 6.10 P. M. Returning, leaves Plymouth daily except Sunday, 7.50 A. M. and Sunday 9.00 A. M.; arrive Tarboro 10 10 A. M. and 11.00 A. M.

Train on Midland N. C., Branch leaves Goldsboro, daily except Sunday, 5.00 A. M.; arriving Smithfield, N. C., 6.10 A. M. Returning leaves Smithfield 7.00 A. M.; arrives Goldsboro 8.35 A. M.

Train on Nashville Branch leaves Rocky Mount at 9.30 A. M., 8.40 P. M.; arrives Nashville 10.30 A. M. 4.00 P. M., Spring Hope 11.00 A. M., 4.26 P. M. Returning, leaves Spring Hope 11.30 A. M., 4.55 P. M., Nashville 11.45 A. M.; 5.25 P. M., arrives at Rocky Mount 12.10 A. M. 6.00 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

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SUNDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 17.


## TO CURTAIL PRODUCTION.

**Cotton Mills Agree to Stop Night Work for Four Months and Shut Down One Day in Every Week.**

By Telegraph to the Morning Star

CHARLOTTE, N. C., Feb. 16.—Four hundred and fifty thousand spindles were represented at the meeting of the Southern Cotton Spinners' Association held in this city to-day.

The meeting was called for the express purpose of effecting a curtailment in the production of cotton yarns, and the result is that for four months, from March 1st, the production will be reduced very considerably. This will be brought about by a shut down of night work as provided for in the following resolution which was unanimously adopted:

"*Resolved*, That we recommend all mills to stop night work entirely for four months, beginning March the 1st, 1901, and that mills running in daylight only, stop one day in every week, beginning March 1st. At the expiration of sixty days from March 1st, mills stopping night work shall also conform to arrangements made herein for mills running in day time only."

Dr. John McAden, president of the association, says that the action insures a reduction of fifty per cent.

Leonard Paulson, of the Bucking ham & Paulson Company, was the only Northern commission man present. He made a speech in which he said the market is dull and prices are only nominal. In the hands of commission merchants he said, there are yarns sufficient to last certainly for sixty days and probably four months. He thought the action taken by the meeting would have a good effect.

President McAden, speaking of the meeting, said that the thousands of mill operatives that would be immediately affected by the partial shut down would receive the special consideration and care of their employers. The night shifts will not be allowed to suffer, and all operatives will be given just as much work as is possible under the circumstances.

## A FLORIDA TRAGEDY.

**Dr. W. L. McLeod and His Wife Found Dead in Their Residence at Crescent. Killed His Wife and Himself.**

By Telegraph to the Morning Star

CRESCENT, FLA., Feb. 16.—Dr. W. L. McLeod and his wife were found dead in their residence this morning. The evidence disclosed that McLeod had killed his wife and then himself. Neither of the couple had been seen since last Saturday, when Mrs. McLeod was visiting members of her church regarding some religious work. For the first several days it was believed that the couple had left on a visit to Mrs. McLeod's sister, who was reported to be ill. The failure of any one to know about their departure, however, and their continued absence, led to an investigation to day by the mayor and sheriff. The bodies were found in the bed room, dressed, and two bullet wounds, both mortal, had been inflicted on Mrs. McLeod. Her husband then fired the third bullet through his own brain and held the pistol in his hand. Mrs McLeod had first been shot in bed and then on the floor as she kneeled before him. It is believed the tragedy occurred last Saturday night.

Dr. McLeod had been drinking on Saturday. He was a prominent citizen and an ex city official.

## IN SOUTH AFRICA.

**Movements of DeWet's Forces—The Engagements With Plummer.**

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LONDON, February 16.—General Kitchener, telegraphing from De Aar, Cape Colony, under to-day's date, says:

"DeWet's forces crossed the railway at Boartmon's siding, north of here, before daylight, February 15th, closely followed by Plummer, Crabbe and armored trains. They engaged the enemy while crossing. The Boers, however, cut the lines north and south of the place of crossing. They captured over twenty wagons, many of which were loaded with ammunition, and also a Maxim, twenty prisoners and over a hundred horses. The troops are in close pursuit.

## INTERNAL REVENUE RULINGS.

**Concerning Sheriffs and Building and Loan Associations.**

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 16.—The Commissioner of Internal Revenue has decided that bank checks drawn by sheriffs in disbursing private funds are not exempt from tax.

He also has decided that deeds of building and loan associations conveying real property to a non-share holder, are taxable. Likewise that leases embodying powers of attorney must pay the tax required for both instruments.


Rev. John Reid, Jr., of Great Falls, Mont., recommended Ely's Cream Balm to me. I can emphasize his statement, "It is a positive cure for catarrh if used as directed."—Rev. Francis W. Poole, pastor of Central Presbyterian Church, Helena, Mont.

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## SHIPPING BILL AGAIN DISPLACED

**Opposition in the Senate to the Measure Determined That It Shall Not Pass.**

## THE OLEOMARGARINE BILL.

**Discussion Between Senators Tillman and Proctor--Many Private Pension Bills Passed—The Anti-Trust Bill—House Proceedings.**

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 16.—In the absence of Senator Frye, president pro tem., who is confined to his apartments by illness, Senator Perkins, California, occupied the chair at the opening of to day's session of the Senate.

Senator Jones, Arkansas, offered a resolution discharging the Committee on the Judiciary from consideration of the so-called Anti Trust bill, and providing that it should be considered by the Senate. The resolution went over until Monday.

On motion of Senator Allison, the Senate decided to consider until 1 o'clock unobjected bills on the calendar. Under that order the following bills were passed:

To authorize the Carolina Northern Railroad Company to construct a bridge across the Lumber river at Lumberton, Robeson county, N. C.

To amend the acts for the protection of birds and the preservation of game and fish, and for the prevention of their sale during certain closed seasons in the District of Columbia.

Permitting the transportation by steam vessels of gasoline and other products of petroleum when carried by automobiles.

Providing that it shall be a misdemeanor for a civilian to refuse to appear and testify before a military court martial.

At 1 o'clock the Ship Subsidy bill, as the unfinished business, was laid before the Senate. Instantly Senator Spooner, Wisconsin, demanded recognition and moved that the Senate proceed to the consideration of what is known as the Oleomargarine bill. The motion was agreed to—45 to 2—Senators Chilton, Texas, and Vest, Missouri, casting the only votes in the negative.

Mr. Hale, Maine, appealed to Senator Proctor "in view of the almost unanimous vote" by which the Oleomargarine bill was taken up to permit a vote to be taken upon the measure immediately.

Half a dozen Democrats were on their feet immediately.

Senator Berry, gaining recognition, said; "I want to say to the Senator from Maine that the 'almost unanimous vote' to take up the bill was not because the Senate is unanimously in favor of it; but it was in order to get rid of it, set it aside, and give a black eye to the Ship Subsidy bill."

A joint resolution ratifying an agreement between Tennessee and Virginia as to the boundary between the two States was passed.

Senator Proctor, Vermont, chairman of the Committee on Agriculture from which the Oleomargarine bill was reported, made a statement as to the bill.

The discussion took a rather humorous turn when Senator Proctor and Senator Tillman began comparing their respective experiences in dairying. Senator Proctor said he milked 250 cows and had had fifty years of dairy experience.

Senator Tillman said he used to carry his butter to market every Saturday and that he went from the dairy to the Governor's chair. The South Carolina Senator declared that the restrictions on coloring should apply to butter and oleomargarine alike. He caused much amusement by the vehemence of his denunciation of "axle grease" and "all other decoctions, concoctions and contraptions put off on the public," although he held that if a purchaser wanted "axle grease," he was entitled to have it. The Senator spoke of one kind of butter that was so strong that a man had to put a brick in the top of his hat to get the taste out of the roof of his mouth.

Without completing the bill, it was laid aside for the purpose of taking up unobjected House bills.

One hundred and ninety seven private pension bills were passed, among them being bills giving pensions of $50 a month to the widows of General Du Barry, Admiral Crosby, Colonel Liscum, Admiral Picking and Commissary General Penrose.

At 5:55 the Senate without further business adjourned.

**House of Representatives.**

In retaliation against the action of Mr. Cannon, chairman of the Appropriations Committee, in filibustering the passage of private claims, Mr. Richardson, the minority leader, today attempted to block consideration of the Sundry Civil Appropriation bill until a quorum was present.

When Mr. Cannon made a motion to go into committee of the whole to resume the consideration of the Sundry Civil bill, Mr. Richardson demanded a division. The division showed less than one hundred members present and Mr. Richardson made the point of no quorum.

"The gentlemen from Illinois yesterday," said he, "insisted upon a quorum to pass an $800 claim, I think we should have a quorum to-day to pass a measure carrying $60,000,000."

The gentleman may make himself responsible for an executive session," observed Mr. Cannon in reply, as the Speaker directed a call of the House. Under that order the doors were closed and the sergeant-at-arms was directed to bring in absent members.

Two hundred and one members appeared, all voting for Mr. Cannon's motion, and accordingly the House went into committee of the whole and resumed the consideration of the Sundry Civil bill.

The House made little progress with the bill. The major portion of the time was spent in debating a proposition offered by Mr. Hill, Connecticut, to strike out the appropriation of $1,000,000 for the free transportation of silver coin. It was defeated—61 66. At 4 o'clock public business was suspended to allow the members to pay tribute to the memory of the late Representative Hoffecker, of Delaware, and at 5:30, as a further mark of respect, the House adjourned.

## QUIET IN MADRID.

**But Military and Police Precautions Continue—The Cabinet Crisis.**

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

MADRID, Feb. 16.—All is calm here to day, but the military and police precautions continue in the provinces, especially in Seville and Valencia.

The general feeling is that the cabinet crisis will be postponed until next week and that Senor Silvela will be asked to form a new ministry.

The Duke of Westminster and Miss Shelagh West were married at St. Paul's church, London, England, yesterday. The church was filled to its capacity with distinguished people.

## THE CRUSADE IN KANSAS TOWNS.

**A Free for All Fight Arising from the Feeling Against the Joints.**

## NUMBER OF PEOPLE INJURED.

**A Sheriff Searching for Mrs. Nation. Men and Women Raided a Saloon at Arkansas City—Raids at Other Places.**

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

BELOIT, KAS., Feb. 16.—There was a free-for-all fight to-day arising from the feeling over the joints. The temperance men and women insisted on inspecting the places to see that their orders for closing had been observed. The investigating committee was followed by a large crowd. Soon an alarm of fire was sounded and a hose cart dashed up and the firemen commenced throwing water on the crowd. Some men attempted to cut the hose, but were prevented by a display of revolvers. After several had been more or less hurt, some arrests were made and quiet was restored.

WICHITA, Feb. 16.—Sheriff Simmons, of this county, searched Wichita to-day for Mrs. Nation, having heard that she was here, with a warrant charging her with inciting a riot during her previous visit. Up to 11 o'clock he was unable to find her. It is reported that she arrived here this morning and that she was sequestered by her friends to avoid being arrested.

TOPEKA, Feb 16.—Chief of Police Stahl to day filed charges with the city council against Police Judge Magraw and asked for his removal from office. The chief charges the police judge with collusion with the jointists and conspiring to prevent harmony in the police force.

Topeka joints yet remain closed, but the vigilance committee is carefully watching the situation. Most of the ministers will preach special sermons on the joint situation tomorrow.

ARKANSAS CITY, KAS., Feb. 16—Seventy men, led by the ministers of this city, crossed the Arkansas river to day and demolished the "Last Chance" saloon. All the joints here had been closed for several days, but the "Last Chance" being outside the city limits its proprietor continued to do a flourishing business. When the crowd swept down upon the place to day the bar tender was asleep. He was backed into a corner at a revolver's point and witnessed the complete demolition of the fixtures and stock.

FERRY, KAS., February 16.—Fifteen prominent women, led by the wives of a Methodist minister and a bank cashier, raided several "joints" here last night. With hatches and axes they demolished fixtures right and left, entailing a loss in that particular saloon alone of more than $1,000.

Twenty whiskey barrels and sixty-two kegs and twenty cases of beer were carried into the streets, where they were chopped into kindling wood their contents flowed away in the and gutters.

A drug store was the last place visited. The proprietor was accused of quenching the thirst of local inebriates and his stock was quickly destroyed. In striking at the shelves with a hatchet one of the women accidentally struck a bottle of carbonic acid. The fluid bespattered her clothing and hands, burning her quite severely.

WINFIELD, KAS., Feb. 16.—The intense ill feeling aroused here, by the recent destruction of the "joints" and which led to dozens of street fights and the arming of many citizens for self protection, apparently has died out.

"Jointists" are removing what is left of their property to places of safety, but insist on remaining in the city. Their action may, it is feared, start the trouble afresh.

## THE CUBAN'S CONVENTION.

**Considering the Future Relations Between the United States and New Republic. Opposition to Concessions.**

By Telegraph to the Morning Star

HAVANA, Feb. 16.—The Cuban Constitutional Convention held a secret session, lasting several hours, this this afternoon, considering the question of the future relations between the United States and the republic of Cuba. The commission which met General Wood at Batabano last night offered no formal report, but asked that the matter be considered in committee of the whole. A majority of the delegates opposed the granting to the United States of the right to maintain naval stations in Cuba and a large number favored leaving the relations between the United States and Cuba for the future republic to settle.

The right of the United States to intervene at any time for the preservation of peace was also the subject of a strong discussion. The questions of regulating loans and the foreign relations developed no opposition.

One of the delegates in the course of an interview said that the convention would never agree to allow the United States to establish and maintain naval stations, as the people look upon this concession as unpatriotic and a practical giving up of their independence. The only way the United States can obtain this right, the delegate said, would be by insisting upon the concession, the responsibility for making which the convention does not want to take.

## EXTRA SESSION OF CONGRESS

**President Says It Will Be Called as Soon as the Cuban Constitution is Received--The Revenue Bill.**

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 16.—The President told Senators who called upon him to day that Congress would be called in extra session as soon as the Cuban constitution was received.

The conferees on the War Reduction bill held a meeting this afternoon which lasted for an hour and a half. Nothing was accomplished. No vote was taken. It is understood that the conferees on the part of each house attempted to convince those of the other that they must yield. The House conferees insisted that they could not accept the Senate substitute, and the Senate conferees maintained that if any measure was to be come law the House must agree to the Senate bill. There seems practically a deadlock. It is believed that the Republicans on the committee from each house will get together to see if some agreement cannot be reached.

The Morgan Line steamer Algiers from New Orleans for Boston, put in at New York, several days overdue, for coal, and with one of her crew injured.

## LITTLE PROGRESS MADE IN PEACE NEGOTIATIONS.

**An Unsatisfactory Message from the Chinese Commissioners--Boxer Leaders Beheaded—The Indemnity.**

By Cable to the Morning Star.

SHANGHAI, Feb. 16.—Eight alleged Boxer leaders, after trial by officers of Chang Chi Tung, the viceroy of Hankow, have been decapitated at that place.

**Indemnity Question.**

WASHINGTON, Feb. 16.—Minister Wu, the Chinese minister, called at the State Department to day and spent nearly half an hour in a close conference with Acting Secretary Hill. He had no late news from China, but was seeking to assist as far as he could in the pursuit of some agreement that will settle the question of indemnity for the losses sustained by the foreigners in China from the Boxer movement. It has been for some time realized that there was little hope of the envoys in Pekin attaining any agreement upon this important subject, and Mr. Conger's reports have clearly indicated that the subject must be dealt with elsewhere than in Pekin if any concert of action is to be maintained between the Powers. It is presumed that the foreign offices in Europe and Japan are also being approached directly by the Chinese government on this subject, and if success is had in reaching the outline of a common understanding, something in the nature of a joint effort is expected to follow and conclude the negotiations at this point.

**Message to the Ministers.**

PEKIN, Feb. 16.—A message was delivered to the foreign ministers before the meeting this morning, from the Chinese peace commissioners, which contained the wording of an edict, dated yesterday, practically reiterating the recent dispatches of the Associated Press, sentencing Princes Chuang to commit suicide and Yu Hsien (former governor of the province of Shan Si) to be executed, both in the presence of a high government official, in order to satisfy the foreigners.

Chi Hsiu and Hsu Cheng Yu will have their cases investigated by Li Hung Chang and Prince Ching, whose report the Emperor will take before execution is pronounced.

General Tung Fu Siang is deprived of his rank and will receive further punishment afterwards.

Yang Nian and Chao Su Kian are imprisoned.

Sentence of death is suspended on those culprits who are already dead and all their honors are cancelled; also, the posthumous honors granted to their families.

Owing to the lateness of the hour at which the translation was made the ministers did not consider the matter this morning, leaving it until Monday. But they scarcely consider this repetition of the edict a proper answer to their demands, as, it means only one head instead of those demanded. Still, they think that after the Chinese New Year, if insistance is made, the reply will be as requested.

The ministers have considered the plans for a legation settlement with fortifications, and also the question of indemnities. They have decided that the jurisdiction at present held covered only the local losses of citizens, and that the home governments must announce the expenses of their respective military expeditions.

## WARM WIRELETS.

The plant of the Maryland Biscuit Company, Baltimore, was destroyed by fire yesterday, the loss being about $100,000, which was fully covered by insurance.

Seven miners, including the superintendent, were blown to atoms at the Commerce mine, in Graham county, Arizona, by the explosion of the company's magazine.

A London dispatch says King Edward will leave London privately Monday, to visit the Dowager Empress Frederick. The trip is intended to be of an exceptionally private character.

Dr. J. F. Robertson, of Charlotte, has been named receiver for the Queen City Telephone Company, a concern having an extensive business there and connections with the surrounding towns.

Policeman Henry B. Fender, of Savannah Ga., was shot by a negro named Henry Brooks, whom he was trying to arrest for assaulting and shooting another man. The policeman died yesterday afternoon. Brooks has been arrested.

Unless the master builders of Pittsburg Pa., comply with demands of the Building Trades Council a general strike will be declared which will involve at least 150,000 workmen. Nearly every mechanic in the city is expecting an advance of from five to twenty per cent.

Intimate friends of Mr. Richard Croker openly declare that he will never re-enter active political life in America. Those who have seen Mr. Croker recently noticed his general physical weakness, which is said to be a form of nervous melancholia.

Every silk mill in the Lackawana Valley is now idle by reason of strikes, except the Klots mill at Carbondale, where employes continue working pending the arbitration of the difficulties. There are 4,500 girls and men on strike.

Mr W. K. Vanderbilt sailed on his yacht Valiant yesterday from Savannah for the Mediterranean, for a cruise of two months. He was accompanied only by his private secretary. At the last moment the party of several friends who had been with him in Florida determined to return to New York.

The United States transport Rawlins, with the first battalion of the Tenth United States infantry aboard, reached Newport News from Santiago yesterday. The four companies are en route to the Philippines and are under comand of Lieutenant Colonel Lincoln.

Presidents and general managers of a number of connecting and co-operating railways met in executive session at Cincinnati to adjust certain differences in freight rates. There were rumors about changes of rate-cutting, but nothing has been given out by those participating in the meeting.

Five Boer prisoners, who escaped from the Island of Ceylon, have arrived at a Crimean port on board the Russian steamer to which they swam while in the harbor of Colombo. Among them is a nephew of President Steyn and a brother in law of General Botha, the Boer commander-in-chief.

The weekly statement of the Associated banks shows: Loans $914 623,000; increase $19,333 600; deposits $1,011,229 increase $16 735,100; circulation $31,158,600, decrease $73 300; legal tenders $72 471 300, decrease $649,400; specie $193,213,400, decrease $2,677,000. Total reserve $265,684,700.

The Senate Committee on Appropriations has completed the Fortifications bill. It carries an increase over the House bill of $311.000, of which $225 000 is for the purchase of land on Cushing's Island, Maine, and the erection of batteries, and $71,000 for carriages for 12-inch mortars. There is a decrease of $35,000 for the care of fortifications.

## RIVER AND HARBOR BILL.

**Republican Senators Say That It Cannot Be Passed at This Session.**

By Telegraph to the Morning Star

WASHINGTON, Feb. 16.—The opinion was expressed by several Senators to day that although the River and Harbor bill would be reported from the Commerce Committee, it would not pass the Senate. One Republican Senator said that while he had not determined to conduct a fight against the bill, it could not be passed at this session.

The Spanish steamship Otoyo, cotton laden, New Orleans to Genoa, which went ashore near Beaufort, S. C., last Monday, has been floated and towed to Charleston.

The transport Sheridan sailed from San Francisco for Manila via Honolulu with 1,400 soldiers, a large number of cabin passengers, more than one million dollars in treasure and 3,000 tons of freight.

The Diplomatic and Consular appropriation bill has been reported to the Senate, with an increase of $47,420 over the allowance of the House, making the total $1,845 228. The largest item of increase is $30.000 for legation grounds at Pekin, China, and $5,000 for student interpreters in China.


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